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CURTAILMENT OF BERLIN MENUS

Frankfurt-on-Main, To-day.
Menus in German restaurants are to be curtailed in future, according to an official order announced to the meeting of licensed victuallers here yesterday.

In future, restaurants and hotels will be allowed to offer customers the choice of only six soups and twenty meat dishes.

The restriction will not apply to fish, sausages, game, poultry, sweets or vegetables.

The action follows a recent order to hotel and restaurant proprietors not to offer luxuries to their guests.
—Trans-Ocean.

FAMOUS SOLDIER DEAD

Brigadier-General Sir Herbert Austin

London, To-day.
The death occurred to-day of Brigadier-General Sir Herbert Henry Austin, R.E., at the age of 69.

Educated at Clifton and Woolwich, the late Brigadier-General Austin entered the Army in 1887 and reached the rank of captain the same year.

He saw service in India till 1891, when he went to Uganda for railway survey work. He served in the Waziristan campaign of 1894-1895 and in Uganda two years later, and conducted two survey expeditions on the border of Abyssinia.

He was awarded the Royal Geographical Society's Cuthbert Peek grant in 1906. From 1909 to 1910 he was connected with the operations in the Persian Gulf for the suppression of gun-running.

In 1911 he was promoted Brevet Lieut.-Colonel in India, where he was made Commandant of the Quetta Staff College in 1915.

After war service in Mesopotamia he retired in 1920. He had several publications to his credit, including "A Scamper through the Far East."—Reuter.

More Cloudy Weather

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone has moved into the Sea of Japan, the depression is situated in the Pacific to the east of Hokkaido.

Local forecast:—E. winds, moderate; cloudy.

PLOT AGAINST LIFE OF STALIN

YAGODA TO GO ON TRIAL SHORTLY

Moscow.

The trial of the former chief of the G.P.U. and Commissar for Communications, M. G. G. Yagoda, is expected to start at the end of May.

The indictment, which was made public yesterday, contains criminal as well as political charges.

The criminal charges are that accused

Organised a plot against the life of Stalin,

Attempted to free Pistakov and Sokolnikoff, two Trotskyites, from prison,

Participated in a plot of high army officers against Marshal Voroshilov, the Commissar for War,

Prepared anti-Soviet propaganda for distribution among the army, and

Had knowledge of the plot to assassinate Stalin's closest friend, Kirov, in 1934.

Yagoda, it is stated, generally admits the criminal offences but vigorously denies the political charges.

PLANNED FLIGHT

The indictment further states that Yagoda planned to escape to the United States via Manchuria when he was on a projected inspection tour of the Siberian area.

Through a Greek citizen, he had deposited a considerable sum of money in a Philadelphia bank, and had placed jewels, foreign exchange and other valuables in safe deposit with the same bank.

ART TREASURES STOLEN

M. Yagoda is also accused of having smuggled a great number of famous paintings out of the country and selling them to foreign art dealers.

A number of famous old masters, including several Rembrandts, had disappeared from an art exhibition in Moscow recently, and the thefts had been traced to Yagoda and his close friend, M. Steiger, chairman of the State Art Committee, who is also under arrest.

The indictment charges that the stolen art treasures were sealed with the G.P.U. seal and so escaped inspection at the frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW LAMP OF THE FUTURE

Mercury Vapour Bulb Perfected

Berlin, To-day.

Mercury vapour lamps are expected to replace shortly the present electric light bulb, as the result of a long series of experiments in Germany.

Main disadvantage of the mercury vapour lamp has always been its ghostly green phosphorescent light, but this has been overcome.

Hitherto it has only been used for lighting streets and for electric signs. Now it may shortly be used in every household.—Trans-Ocean.

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1,350 ABYSSINIAN FUGITIVES

Permanent Camp To Be Provided

London, To-day.

Altogether 1,350 Abyssinian refugees are at present in British Somaliland, declared a government spokesman during question time in the House of Commons yesterday.

Most of the fugitives are accommodated in a provisional camp at Borana, and a camp of a more permanent character is being prepared for them at Berbera.—Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai Strike Settled

Shanghai, To-day.

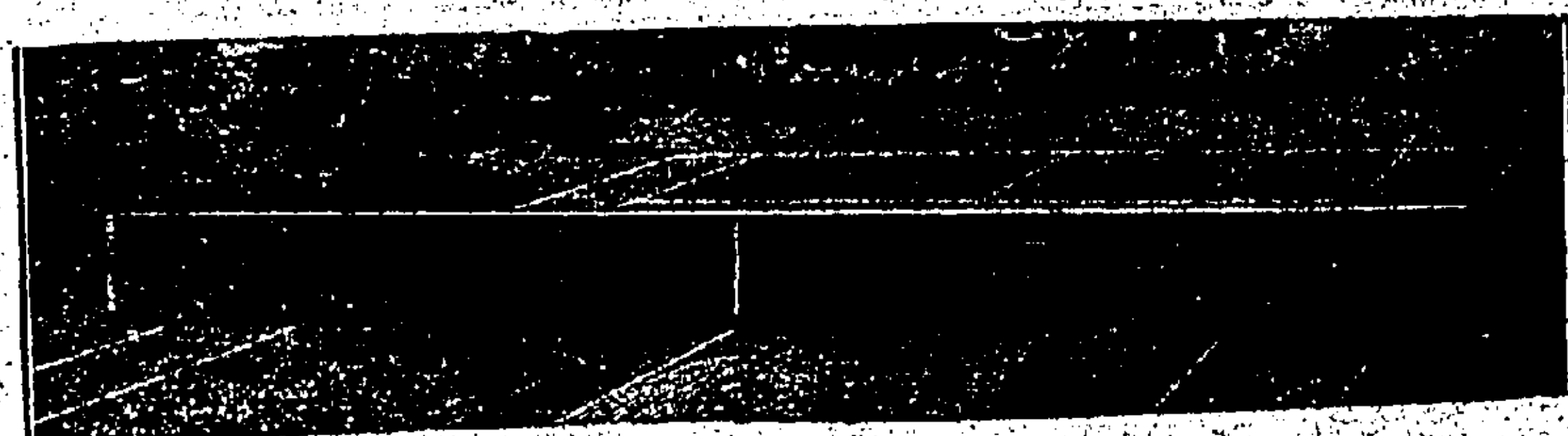
The strike of Ford taxi-cab drivers has been settled and the men are expected to return to work to-morrow.

The company, which operates the largest taxi service in Shanghai, agreed to reduce the number of men dismissed from 30 to seven, and the strikers have complied with the proposal.—Reuter.

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HistoryThree Pictures Hung In This
Year's Exhibition

London, To-day.

Two Chinese artists have pictures hung in this year's Royal Academy and are the first Chinese ever to be thus honoured.

MISS SHOU PI-YANG HAS TWO PICTURES. SHE ORIGINALLY STUDIED IN SHANGHAI AND CAME TO ENGLAND ABOUT EIGHTEEN MONTHS AGO.

SHE HAS SINCE STUDIED PARTLY IN ENGLAND AND PARTLY IN FRANCE, AND HAS TWO EXQUISITE STUDIES—ONE OF A CHINESE BIRD OF PARADISE AND THE OTHER OF CHINESE PONIES.

Done in water-colours and painted on silk, they are in true Chinese classical style.

It is understood the Hanging Committee was enthusiastic when they saw the pictures.

T. H. CHIU'S LANDSCAPE

Mr. T. H. Chiu, the other artist, is a former pupil of the Royal Academy School, where he won six prizes and scholarships.

He is showing a landscape of Moulay Idriss, in Morocco. His style is somewhat modernist but the Chinese feeling in it can strongly be perceived.

Another Oriental exhibitor is Prince Birabongse of Siam, who is showing a striking bronze portrait head.—Reuter.

LONDON BUS
CONFERENCE
CRISIS

London, To-day.

The conference at the Ministry of Labour yesterday between representatives of the London Passenger Transport Board and of the bus employees in regard to the threatened London bus strike, sat for five hours on Monday and seven hours yesterday.

The conference was adjourned till to-day.

It is understood the position appears to be somewhat critical though there is still hope that a solution will be found.—Reuter.

U.S. ENTRY INTO
THE WARParis Celebration
Offer

Paris, To-day.

The French Government has invited members of the American Legion and their families to attend the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of United States entry into the Great War.

The visitors will be guests of the French Government for one week at the end of September.

The programme includes a tour of the battlefields and a big parade in Paris.

It is expected that about 10,000 Americans will respond to the French invitation.—Trans-Ocean.

RETURN OF
MR. EDENCordial Talks In
BrusselsWESTERN PACT
AND TRADE

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary arrived at Croydon by air from Brussels last evening at the end of a two days' visit of courtesy to the Belgian capital, during which he was received by the King of the Belgians and had conversations with Belgian statesmen.

A communique issued in Brussels yesterday morning at the conclusion of the conversations states:

"Monsieur Spaak and Mr. Eden had a number of conversations on Monday and Tuesday in the course of which they took the opportunity to discuss the current problems of chief interest to the two countries.

"Among these problems the British and Belgian Ministers gave their special attention on the one hand to questions concerned with the strengthening of peace in Europe and, in particular, with the preparation of a new Security Pact for Western Europe, and, on the other, to the economic questions which form the object of the mission which has recently been entrusted to Monsieur Van Zeeland.

The conversations which consisted purely of an exchange of views and had not the character of negotiations, were carried on in an atmosphere of complete cordiality.

"They afforded an opportunity to make it clear how close was conformity between the points of view of the two governments.—British Wireless.

BRITISH POLICY

Political And Economic
Appeasement

London, To-day.

It is the constant aim of His Majesty's Government's policy in all spheres to attain the greatest possible measure of political appeasement and economic collaboration, declared the President of the Board of Trade in a Commons answer.—British Wireless.

THE WORLD GOES BY

A private view was held yesterday in the offices of the *China Mail* of a splendid oil painting of Bicycle Pump, our super-horse which has been entered for the St. George's Plate at the Fourth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley on Saturday.

Bicycle Pump, you will remember, is the nag which last year created such a furore in England, where it won, with the greatest of ease, the Ascot Stakes, the Royal Hunt Cup, the Gold Cup, the Eclipse Stakes, the Ebor Handicap, the St. Leger, etc., etc.

Now it is to run in Hong Kong, and, as stated in this column yesterday, not only has a sensation been caused in Jockey Club circles but also in the *China Mail* office, where all employees, from editor to cub reporter, wander round with an abstract, brooding, melancholy air.

All salaries in the *China Mail* this month are not being paid to employees, but are being placed by the directors on bets backing the distinguished horse in the St. George's Plate.

Special plans have been made to give an unrivalled news and picture service of the animal's undoubted victory on Saturday. (See this column on Monday).

Planes have been chartered to rush pictures, news reel films and a special story of the race (written by our woman's page editor). Extra bodies of reporters have been hired to scour the Valley and obtain fresh, original angles on what will prove a gripping account of the greatest race ever run in the Colony.

Bicycle Pump, says our cub reporter in the picturesque language so peculiar to him, is the fastest piece of horseflesh that ever singoo the turf of a race.

If this doesn't convince you that Bicycle Pump is a good thing, there is no hope for you. You had better lie down and die. Bicycle Pump is the surest bet ever and will romp home by half the distance of the race (which I am still unable to discover. Some say one furlong, others five miles, all very confusing).

I have collected the savings of a lifetime (\$4.90), borrowed ten cents from the crime reporter and plunked the lot on Bicycle Pump for a win.

If I had a spare shirt, I would put that on too. But, laundries being what they are, I have only one shirt to my name, or back, and I have worn that one so long that I can't get it off.

Anyway, put all you've got on Bicycle Pump. It's a cert.

ULYSSES.

Commons Recess

Canton, To-day.

All the foreign consuls at Shamen called on Mr. Wu Fe-chen, the Governor of Kwangtung, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.—Our Own Correspondent.

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister announced that Commons would adjourn for the Coronation and Whitsun Recess on May 6 and reassemble on May 24.—British Wireless.

AMERICA TO BE PREPARED

Washington, To-day.

An appropriation of \$416,415,000 for the Army next year is recommended by the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives. This is \$25,037,000 more than is available for the current year.

Expenditure of \$67,075,000 is recommended for the army air service, including provision for the construction of 513 new aeroplanes.

The Military Committee of the House of Representatives is considering a Bill introduced by Mr. Hill, the Chairman.

The committee has deleted a section calling for a 95 per cent. tax on wartime profits in excess of the average for a three years' period preceding the outbreak of war.

It has, however, recommended the introduction of a system of wartime taxation to absorb all surplus profits above a "fair and normal return."

A provision in the Bill for conscription between the ages of 21 and 31 was struck out.—Reuter.

Graf Zeppelin Off To S. America

Friedrichshafen, To-day.

The airship "Graf Zeppelin" left here yesterday evening for South America under the command of Captain von Schiller.

The giant airship had a full passenger list, among whom are Germans, English and Americans.—Trans-Ocean.

CORRESPONDENCE

[To The Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—Is it not time that the Government provided adequate supervision of children's playgrounds in Kowloon? The area between Gascoigne Road and Salisbury Road seems to be well endowed with playgrounds until one finds adults playing football and driving away amahs and small children, while nothing is done to prevent Chinese youths of between 10 and 14 from bullying European children and driving them off the swings and so on.

The playground in Cox's Road seems to be the resort of grown-up footballers and Chatham Road of the Chinese who are too big for the facilities offered.

Some steps should be taken unless the whole purpose of the playgrounds is not to be destroyed and parents are to be compelled to keep their children at home.

Yours etc.
X. Y. Z.

DAYLIGHT SAVING

[To The Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—Now that that excellent scheme of Summer Time has just commenced again at home it serves to make one wonder what has happened to the idea in Hong Kong.

The evenings, being shorter here it would appear to be even more useful and it is certain that many people are wondering why, in more days than one, they are still left in the 'dark.'

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CHINA PROVIDENTS' MEETING

SCHEME FOR RE-ARRANGEMENT OF CAPITAL BEING PREPARED

A DEFICIT ON LAST YEAR'S WORKING BUT WITH SIGNS OF BRIGHTER BUSINESS PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE WERE REPORTED BY MR. S. M. CHURN, PRESIDING THIS AFTERNOON AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE CHINA PROVIDENT, LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

A SCHEME OF CAPITAL RE-ARRANGEMENT WAS INDICATED AS BEING IN THE COURSE OF FINAL PREPARATION.

The chairman said: Gentlemen, Before we deal with any of the business of the Meeting, I think it is proper that I should avail of the occasion to place on record an expression of our deep regret at the death of our late Chairman Mr. Carlos Augusto da Roza. As Chairman of Directors since February 1929, the late Mr. da Roza always took a very keen interest in the affairs of the Company. In his demise we have lost a most helpful and resourceful adviser, one who would be difficult to replace.

SMALLER TURNOVER

From the Profit and Loss Account, you will observe that the net result of the year's working is a loss of \$27,129.59. This unfavourable showing is traceable to two main causes; firstly, a smaller turnover of business, and secondly, though not less important, the unduly severe competition with which we have had to cope, leading to unremunerative rates for storage, both of which factors have contributed to a shrinkage in the gross earnings. Towards the close of the year, however, there were noticeable signs of improvements, and it is to be hoped that this favourable feature will develop during the present year.

CAPITAL REARRANGEMENT

Coming to the Balance Sheet, Gentlemen, I think you will find that this statement has been rendered in the usual form, and it seems only necessary for me to remark that the transfer of the sum of \$465,110.85 from "Special Reserve for Depreciation of Property" to "Property Account" is the precursor of a scheme of re-arrangement of the Capital of the Company, which your Board has under consideration, and in reference to which further information will be given to shareholders in due course.

During the year Mr. King resigned his position as Secretary of the Company, and Mr. Guterres was appointed acting Secretary. The Board has since appointed him to the substantive post.

I feel I ought also to say, Gentlemen, that although the year's working has not proved fruitful of profits, your staff has worked loyally and diligently, and it would not be out of place if I were to suggest that an appreciation of their service be recorded.

With these remarks, Gentlemen, I formally propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented.

Mr. W. J. Carroll seconded and the report and accounts were adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS

On the proposal of Mr. W. J. Carroll, seconded by Mr. M. A. Figueiredo, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. Li Tse Fong were re-elected to the Board of Directors, while Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors on the proposal of Mr. W. J. Carroll,

seconded by Mr. S. A. Lopes. Those who attended were: Messrs. S. M. Churn (Chairman), T. B. Wilson, P. M. Hodgson, N. V. A. Croucher, J. P. Braga, and Li Tse Fong (Directors) and the following shareholders: — Messrs. W. J. Carroll, A. H. Carroll, J. Tam Hung, M. A. Figueiredo, S. A. Lopes and A. E. Kew.

Fines Imposed In Gresford Case

London, To-day.

Fines totalling £140, with £350 costs, were imposed on defendants in the Gresford mine prosecution.

Defendants were found not guilty on summonses concerning ventilation but guilty on eight summonses of failure to keep records of the quantities of air in parts of the mine.—Reuter.

CHINA'S ENVOYS TO CORONATION

Reception To First Arrivals

London, To-day.

The first of the Chinese delegates to the Coronation, headed by Mr. Wang Wen-hao, were welcomed at Victoria Station when they arrived in London yesterday, by the Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the staff of the Embassy, representatives of the Foreign Office and Admiralty, and a large number of the Chinese colony in London.

Dr. H. H. Kung and Admiral Chen Shao-kuan are visiting Prague, where Dr. Kung wishes to consult a specialist regarding his daughter's eyes.—Reuter.

AMERICANS TO BE SENT HOME

Missed Boat And Stowed Away

Two Americans, Jack Richard Dilliner, aged 21, and Henry Nidiver, aged 20, were charged before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy this morning with entering the Colony without valid passports. An expulsion order was made against them.

Detective-sergeant Russell said that defendants were formerly on a ship but missed their boat at Shanghai and stowed away on the President Hoover to Hong Kong. They arrived here on Saturday.

They had been to the American Consulate which is arranging for them to return to the United States.

Clipper Plane Arrival: By K. Stuart Smith

11.30 a.m.—2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
11.30 a.m.—A Relay from Kai Tak Aerodrome.
A Commentary on the Arrival of the China Clipper by K. Stuart Smith (late R.F.C.).
12.15 p.m.—Grand Opera.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Wilhelm Backhaus.
1.20 p.m.—Three Songs by Webster Booth (Tenor).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11.45 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Irish Music.
Contralto Solo—
The Fairy Tales of Ireland (Eric Cotes) Essie Ackland.
Accordion Solo—
Rakes of Clonmell—Jig, Frank Murphy.
Tenor Solo—
When Irish Eyes are Smiling (Ball) Morton Downey.
Orchestral—
Irish Rhapsody (Herbert), New Light Symphony Orchestra.

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Tenor Solo—
The Rose of Tralee (Glover), Morton Downey.
Orchestral—
Irish Washerwoman (arr. Sowerby),
Turkey in the Straw (Guion),
New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Tenor Solo—
The Mountains of Mourne (French) Morton Downey.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
Slavonic Rhapsody (Friedemann, arr. Winterbottom).
"Faust"—Ballet Music (Gounod).
"Woodland Pictures"—
Rural Suite (Fletcher).
(a) Romance—"An Old World Garden".
(b) Introduction and Dance—"In the Hayfields".
(c) Humoresque—"The Bean Feast".
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Variety Programme.
Instrumental—
Souvenir de Sieile,

Maria B. Seivittaro (Mandoline).
Vocal—
When my Dreamboat comes Home, Turner Layton.
Hawaiian—
Rock me in a cradle of Kalun, Frank Ferera's Hawaiian Trio.
Vocal Sketch—
Knock, knock—who's there? Vie Oliver with Sarah Churchill.
Accordeon Solo—
Ma Petite Java, Gigetto Castoncelli.
Vocal—
Would you? Take my heart Greta Keller.
Organ Solo—
Eric Coates Medley, Sydney Gustard.
Vocal—
(a) Oh Susannah; (b) We'll rest at the end of the Trail, The Rocky Mountaineers.
Instrumental—
Three little words, Len Fillis (Banjo).
Vocal—
The wind and the rain, Turner Layton.
You and the night and the music, Gracie Fields.
Tiger Rag The Hills Brothers.
8.45 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Tales from the Vienna Woods (Strauss) Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
Rosenkavalier Waltzes (R. Strauss) Bruno Walter and the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.
9 p.m.—From the Studio. A Recital of Part Songs and Folk Songs by the Hong Kong Chinese Choral Society, conducted by Lindsay A. Laford. Irene Lum at the Piano.
1. Part Song—Rolling down to Rio German.
2. Old Scottish Cradle Song—O can ye sew cushions? arr. Granville Bantock.
3. Part Song—The Traction Engine Harchant.
4. Welsh Folk Song—All through the night arr. Chambers.
5. English Folk Song—Early one morning arr. Dunhill.
6. Somerset Folk Song—O, No John! arr. Eric Thiman.
9.15 p.m.—Overture "Manfred", Op. 115 (Schumann), played by The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Adrian Boult.

9.30 p.m.—London News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Screen and Theatre Memories.
"Give me a Ring"—
I only want one boy, Margaret Bannerman (Soprano).
"Broadway Melody"—
Wedding of the Painted Doll, Leslie James (Organ).
"Over the Garden Wall"—
Wrap yourself in cotton wool, Bobby Howes (Comedian).
"Monte Carlo"—Medley.
Baie da Costa (Piano).
"Brewster's Millions"—
Jack Buchanan and Geraldo and His Orchestra.
10.15 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—
The Wanderers.
You do the darndest things, Baby, Keny Meeny Miney Mo.
The Changing of The Guard: Harbour lights.
Rhythm saved the world.
Sing, sing, sing.
Waltz—You're my gift from Heaven.
Fox-Trot—
Here's love in your eyes.
You can't pull the wool over my eyes.
You gotta know how to dance.
Let's call a heart a heart.
On a typical tropical night.
Smoke Dreams.
There's that look in your eyes again.
She shall have music.
Do the Runaround.
Rumba—Spanish Jake.
Waltz—A gift from Heaven.
11.15 p.m.—London—The International Six Days' Motor-Cycling Trial. Behind the scenes in a Midland Motor-Cycle Factory. Peter Chamberlain of the A.C.U. and Graham Walker will describe the preparation of men and machines. (Electrical Recording).
11.45 p.m.—Close down.
4.30-5.45 p.m. (approx.)—Additional European programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles, and on Z.B.W. on a frequency of 31.49 metres (9.52 m.c's).
A Running Commentary by Frank V. Read on the Open Singles Tennis Championship of the Colony Semi-Finals, between E. C. Fincher and S. A. Rumjahn, on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. (By Courtesy of the Committee of the Hong Kong Cricket Club).

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

First Principles

"Beautifully played, partner!" gushed North. He had been, secretly quailing throughout the play, dimly aware that he had overbid a couple of tricks, and now was attempting to cover up by the well known flattery process.

"Applesauce!" South growled. "Just because I had all the luck in the world doesn't excuse that miserable bid of yours!"

South was being polite to one of his adversaries in attributing his success to "luck." Actually, the much-too-high contract had been fulfilled only through the repeated errors of the East defender. Meanwhile, West was reflecting bitterly that it was hard to play against three opponents!

North, dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

S—K 10 2

H—Q J 10 6

D—A Q 5

C—K Q 10

WEST

S—Q J 7 6 4 3

H—None

D—6 4 2

C—8 5 3 2

EAST

S—A 9 5

H—K 7 5

D—K J 10 9

C—A J 9

SOUTH

S—8

H—A 9 8 4 3 2

D—8 7 3

C—7 6 4

The bidding:

North East South West
1 no trump Double 2 hearts 2 spades
4 hearts Double Pass Pass
Pass

Since South's two heart bid was made directly over a take-out double, North should have recognized it was a warning, or weakness bid, and never should have jumped to game. His ten honour cards probably were impressive to him but, considering the fact that they included three ten spots and that the honour trick count was only three and one-half, his violent raise was little short of horrible. West's free bid of two spades was not to be criticized, despite his almost total lack of honour count. His six card holding in the highest ranking suit, and freak distribution warranted his action. He could, in fact, have

made a game in spades, but correctly permitted his partner, who had assumed captaincy by virtue of the take-out double, to dictate the destiny of this hand.

West opened the queen of spades, dummy covered with the king, and East won with the ace. At the second trick East made the first of two glaring errors. He should have seen the probability that South had started with a singleton spade and, therefore, to lead a spade up to dummy's remaining 10-2, on the theory that South would have to ruff, was completely fallacious. Because South did not ruff, He was delighted with the opportunity to concede the trick, discard a diamond and, at the same time, establish dummy's spade ten for the future discard of his other losing diamond. [East, with K J 10 of diamonds over the ace-queen, needed little imagination to foresee that this might take place].

West had to win with the spade jack. He shifted to a diamond, but dummy's ace was promptly played, and South's remaining diamond discarded on the spade ten. The heart finesse now was accomplished, and East's hearts drawn. Declarer next led a club to dummy's queen, and at this point East made the second of his glaring "bulls." He won with the ace!

A novice should have been able to see that if he won this trick it would be an extremely embarrassing matter to make a return lead. With only diamond and clubs remaining in the East hand the diamond king would court a ruff and a club would go back into dummy's tenace. To avoid this, East had only to hold up the club ace and wait for a future round when its acceptance would not be so embarrassing. Declarer then would have been "out of luck." His best play would be to return to his hand by ruffing a low diamond and to lead a second club toward dummy in the hope of finding the jack in West's hand. But this would not work, and East would be able to cash two club tricks for the defeat of the contract. Declarer played well, but the real credit for the fulfilled contract should go to East!

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE QUEEN'S—"The Beloved Vagabond", with Maurice Chevalier, Betty Stockfield, Margaret Lockwood, and Austin Trevor. A continental comedy drama based on the famous novel by W. J. Locke in which Chevalier sings a number of gay French tunes especially composed for the picture.

AT THE KING'S—"Of To The Races" with Slim Summerville, Jed Prouty, Spring Byington and Shirley Deane. A comedy of American family life, featuring the Jones family.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Down The Stretch", with Patricia Ellis, Mickey Rooney and Dennis Moore. A thrilling horse-racing film.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"In Caliente" with Winifred Shaw, Dolores del Rio, Pat O'Brien, Leo Carrillo, Edward

Everett Horton and Glenda Farrell—A musical spectacle combining romance, comedy and drama, featured by several special dance numbers and lyrics.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"William Tell", with Conrad Veidt and Hans Marr—The Swiss legend of the peasant who shot an apple off his son's head and liberated his country from Austrian tyranny. The picture has as its background the snowy mountains of Switzerland.

AT THE STAR—"Peg Of Old Drury" with Dorothy Robinson, Anne Neagle and Cedric Hardwicke. Featuring the star of "Bitter Sweet" and "Nell Gwyn." One of the best British pictures yet produced.



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NO SURRENDER AT BILBAO

Basque Authorities Give Lie To Rumour Of Panic

ECHO OF SIAN REVOLT

New Appointments By Executive Yuan

Nanking, To-day.

Following the complete withdrawal of the troops of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang from Shensi and Kansu into Honan and Anhui, the Executive Yuan yesterday ordered the formation for a Military Affairs Readjustment Committee for Honan, Anhui and Kiangsu.

General Liu Chi was appointed Chairman and Generals Chen Cheng, Shen Chen, Yu Hsueh-chung, Wang Shu-sheng, Ho Chu-kok and other divisional commanders are members of the Committee.

Yesterday the Executive Yuan also appointed General Yu Hsueh-chung as Pacification Commissioner for Kiangsu, General Ho Chu-kok as the Vice-Director of the Sian Headquarters, General Wang Shu-sheng as the Vice-Pacification Commissioner for Anhui, General Hu Iu-cho as the Acting Governor of Kansu, General Wei Lap-wang as Garrison Commander of the Honan, Hupei and Anhui Frontiers, and General Shen-koon Wen-hsiang as the Garrison Commander of the Honan, Hupei and Shensi Frontiers.

General Yang Hu-cheng, former Pacification Commissioner of Shensi, will tour Europe and America. —Our Own Correspondent.

"GRAF VON SPEE"

For Coronation Naval Review

Berlin, To-day.

It is announced that the pocket battleship "Graf von Spee" will represent the German Navy at the Coronation naval review at Spithead. —Reuter.

Roosevelt Warns Speculators

Washington, To-day.

The warning against speculation in stocks by Government employees was yesterday extended to include all the general public by President Roosevelt at a press conference.

The Chief Executive declared, he had been warning the public against speculation ever since 1927. —Reuter.

BROOK GIVES UP RECORD HOPE

Tail Wheel Broken In Sudan

London, To-day.

It is learned that the British airman, H. L. Brook, has given up hope of beating the London-Cape record and intends to proceed to the Cape and make an attempt on the homeward record.

Brook was forced down by a thunderstorm near Bor, 100 miles north of Juba, in the Sudan, and broke a tail wheel in taking off. The accident made him 24 hours behind schedule. —Reuter.

Forthcoming Wedding

The forthcoming marriage between Miss Alicia Zalazar Fong, of No. 3, Nga Tsun Loong Road, Kowloon City, and Mr. Jose Clemente dos Santos, of No. 424, Prince Edward Road, has been announced.

Mr. N. Linley and his bride, formerly Miss Gertrude Mary Simmons, of Hong Kong, sailed for Manila in the Tjisadane on their honeymoon yesterday.

Militia Ordered To Resist To Last

FORCES RETIRE ON PREPARED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, TO-DAY.

THE BASQUE GOVERNMENT HAS NO INTENTION OF SURRENDERING THE CITY OF BILBAO TO THE SPANISH INSURGENTS.

This definite official statement has been issued to contradict the rumours that owing to the desperate situation of the civilian population, the city would be handed over to the rebels.

AN OFFICIAL BROADCAST FROM BILBAO RADIO STATION SAYS THAT THE REPUBLICAN MILITIA HAVE RECEIVED STRICT ORDERS TO RESIST "TO THE LAST MAN."

THE MILITIA, AFTER HAVING WITHDRAWN IN GOOD ORDER BEFORE THE REBEL OFFENSIVES DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS, HAVE NOW TAKEN UP NEW PREPARED POSITIONS ON THE HEIGHTS SURROUNDING BILBAO.

The Biscay broadcasting station reports that among steps taken in consequence of the ruthless rebel air raids is construction of a large number of air-raid shelters in Bilbao. —Trans-Ocean.

BASQUE REGULAR ARMY ESTABLISHED

Bilbao, To-day.

President Aguirre has issued a decree creating a Basque regular army, in which all existing formations will be incorporated.

The list of military commands will be revised and there will be a new commander-in-chief.

Another decree militarises all workers engaged in fortifications and war industries. —Reuter.

WARSHIPS SHELL VALENCIA

Cruisers Concealed In A Fog

Valencia, To-day.

Valencia was shelled for half an hour from the sea yesterday morning, probably by cruisers lying off shore in the dense fog.

The casualties are not known but some damage was done.

Madrid was again severely shelled yesterday morning and at close intervals during the day. The inhabitants are more and more using underground means of transport.

Yesterday's tentative estimates give 25 killed and 60 wounded.

BATTERIES WELL HIDDEN

Government aircraft have been unable to locate the insurgent batteries, which frequently alter the range.

From Bayonne comes a message stating that the Basque Government Press Bureau claims that the insurgent offensive in the Durango sector has been brilliantly repulsed, the Basques holding back the rebels from the Eibar sector to the coast. —Reuter.

AIR RAIDS

Valencia, To-day.

Valencia suffered two enemy attacks yesterday morning, one from

the air and one from the sea.

Shortly before 7 o'clock in the morning seven insurgent bombers, accompanied by pursuit planes, broke through the barrage of anti-aircraft fire.

They circled the city for about half an hour, dropping their bombs, and then left in a southerly direction.

The planes had hardly disappeared and the population was just starting to go about its business in the streets again when rebel warships suddenly appeared in the dense fog and shelled the city.

The casualties were greater than would normally have been the case owing to the unexpectedness of the second attack. —Trans-Ocean.

INTERFERENCE WITH SHIPPING

Scandinavian Bloc Protest To France

Oslo, To-day.

The Governments of Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland have simultaneously protested to General Franco's representative in Lisbon against the stopping of various Scandinavian vessels by insurgent warships.

The Norwegian Note asks what measures are to be taken to secure cessation of these acts and reserves the right to demand reparations for loss.

The protest recalls that many Scandinavian vessels have been forced to proceed to Ceuta and there discharge their cargoes. —Reuter.

Stirring Appeal

Bilbao, To-day.

President Aguirre, in a stirring appeal to the Basque people, admits the gravity of the situation and refers to the destruction of Guernica by "German airmen in the service of the Spanish rebels."

He called on all Basques to "react with violence and to defend their principles and liberties with unheard-of stubbornness and heroism." —Reuter.

LA MARQUE MONDIALE

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gives a flourish to the plainest Cocktail

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CHANCELLOR'S REPLY TO NEW TAX CRITICS

Budget Secrecy Need Explains Lack Of Enquiry

SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION OF REPRESENTATIONS

London, To-day.

Another firm defence of his national defence contribution (the Growth of Profits Tax) was made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons yesterday.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN SAID HE WAS CONVINCED THAT THE OUTLINE OF THE SCHEME WAS RIGHT AND HE HAD NO INTENTION OF WITHDRAWING THE PROPOSALS.

THAT PART OF THE PROPOSALS NOT YET FORMULATED WAS SUFFICIENTLY IMPORTANT TO JUSTIFY HIM SAYING THAT NO ACCURATE OR SUFFICIENT JUDGMENT COULD BE FORMED UNTIL THE HOUSE AND THE COUNTRY HAD FULLER INFORMATION.

HE REGARDED THE PROPOSAL AS MILD AND MODERATE AND DID NOT THINK IT WOULD IMPOSE AN INTOLERABLE BURDEN ON INDUSTRY.

He regarded the estimates of the yield of the tax, ranging from £50,000,000 to £250,000,000 as fantastic, and intimated he was prepared to reconsider the profits standard based on average profits for the three years from 1933 to 1935.

The Chancellor said he was fully aware there was very great anxiety in many quarters, and disturbances in securities.

He considered the disturbances very greatly exaggerated and based on insufficient information. Also more importance was attached to them than was deserved, and it was only necessary to observe what was going on in other countries where there was no national defence contribution, to realise that a number of events coincided to render the markets of the world peculiarly sensitive at present.

RATES OF INTEREST

Referring to the profits standard based on average profits for 1933 to 1935, the Chancellor said he was quite prepared to reconsider it either by way of some choice given to the tax-payer as between different years or by adding other years to those three, or possibly by a combination of both.

He intimated he would provide for variation of the rate of interest which would form the basis in relation to the capital standard.

He explained that capital, for purposes of contribution, did not mean share capital but a computed figure representing cost of assets and was subject to certain adjustments.

He was now obtaining information and was in personal contact with persons of great financial and industrial experience.

TO EXAMINE PROPOSALS

He had also received communications from a number of important bodies such as Associated Cham-

bers of Commerce and the Chamber of Shipping, while the Federation of British Industries was collecting a large body of information.

He would examine these proposals very sympathetically and would do his best to act on what they told him would meet such difficulties and prevent inequalities and injustice.

He would make a decision as soon as possible.

The House agreed to the Budget resolution authorising imposition of the national defence contribution, otherwise known as the Growth of Profits Tax.—Reuter.

CLAIM SCOUTED

The Chancellor of Exchequer scouted the claim of the opposition that the proposal was the main cause of the falls of industrials and other ordinary shares on the London Stock Exchange and reminded the House that Continental Bourses were likewise disturbed where no such proposal was in question. He admitted that uncertainty regarding the new tax was an element in the London market's depressed condition.

He repeated his explanation of the vagueness of the scheme that the necessity of Budget secrecy had prevented his obtaining the advice he desired before completing the details.

TREASURY'S POSITION

Mr. Chamberlain expressed surprise at the extent of damage it had been suggested would be done by what he regarded as a mild and moderate proposal and claiming that the Treasury was in a reasonably good position to estimate the effects of proposed taxation, recalled that he was not expecting a higher yield than between 20 and 25 million in the financial year 1938-1939. Surely that was not an intolerable burden on industry. In reference to the anticipated effects of defence



Mr. Chamberlain showed some inclination to give ground on the Growth of Profits Tax issue yesterday.

expenditure on the expansion of industry, Mr. Chamberlain said that exceptional expenditure would have an end. It was not unlimited.

NOT SEEKING DOMINATION

"If one is to talk seriously about this matter we are not seeking to dominate the world. We are seeking only to make ourselves and our Empire communications safe. Therefore I feel justified in saying that we are not faced with an unlimited or indefinite amount of expenditure. There is a limit to it and there is therefore a limit to the amount we have got to raise."

The Chancellor reviewed some of the errors which have been made in the Press and elsewhere in apprehension of his proposal. He was now obtaining the information he required before he could state how the difficulties which had been urged would be met.—British Wireless.

TRIBUTE TO LORD GREY

TYPE ESSENTIAL TO SANE PUBLIC LIFE

London, To-day.

A tribute to the late Lord Grey was paid by the Prime Minister in unveiling a memorial tablet outside the Ambassador's Entrance of the Foreign Office yesterday before a distinguished company of statesmen, diplomats, politicians and personal friends.

Mr. Baldwin said that Lord Grey was "a great man—who was the source of inspiration and strength to all those with whom he worked, a man who will be an example to future generations of statesmen and a type in my mind essential to the preservation of a sane and wholesome public life in a democratic system."—British Wireless.

CHANGE OF COLONY

The Colonial Office has announced that a bill is to be presented to Parliament to transfer Dominica from the Leeward Islands federation to the Windward Islands group.

By the proposal bill, Dominica will be governed in a similar manner to the Windward Islands. The implications of the transfer in so far as finance, legislation and public services are concerned are under consideration.

Canton Assessments

Canton, To-day.

A new assessment for tax purposes is being carried out in Canton on the instructions of the Mayor, Mr. Tsang Yang-fu. —Our Own Correspondent

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Dining Out



For Spring, Kathryn Marlowe, screen actress, chooses this dinner gown of diagonally-corded black silk trimmed with crisp narrow-wide white pique. A long pique cord laces the bodice and falls almost to the hem, which is bound with a wide strip of the white.

Real Heroes

Dr. A. C. Johnson of Princeton, who shaved himself with a stone razor dating back to 2500 B.C.

Joannis Geougious Kalochristianakis who did not change his name when he acquired American citizenship papers.

Mrs. Louise Peterson of Chicago who received her fourth divorce without ever having accepted a cent of alimony from an ex-husband.

Hsia Chen Ying of Tientsin, who bowed forty thousand times to his

(Continued at foot of next col.)

Babies' Health In Springtime.

Spring—warm days, cool evenings, cooler nights; a time of year when frequently little children suffer health irregularities, for, no matter how vigilant a mother may be, there is always the risk of a sudden chill.

It is for the treatment of just such health upsets that Baby's Own Tablets were devised by a physician who made a special study of children's ailments. An occasional dose of Baby's Own Tablets keeps the child's stomach sweet and his bowels regular, and helps Nature to build a sturdy little body well able to withstand climatic changes.

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Vegetable Stew a la Hollywood

Good For The Complexion Too

It isn't every little girl that goes to Hollywood to become a film star who ends up with a house on Beverly Hills and an imported Rolls-Royce. Quite a lot of them have a hard time even to get enough to eat.

Sometimes half a dozen of them get together and share the same cook-pot. If what they throw into it is good enough to preserve that film-star complexion it ought to be good enough for the likes of us.

Vegetable stew—that's the more technical name for their favourite concoction—tastes better than any dish obtainable and it is also one of the healthiest.

Except for peeling and slicing a few vegetables in the initial stages, it is practically no trouble to keep going. And you can work out that every meal costs about a penny a head.

Start by making a stock out of any sort of bones you can beg, borrow, or steal. Add a large can of tomato puree. Then just put in any kind of vegetables that you can think of.

Plenty of onions, especially if you are an onion fan.

Sliced or diced carrots, turnips, swedes, beans, peas, celery, left-overs, chestnuts, potatoes, cabbage, sprouts, and, if you are feeling very extravagant, or if it happens to be summer and you have a handy meadow, mushrooms.

Gets Better Every Day

The real beauty of this sort of stew is that day after day it will get better and better.

The little film "extras," whenever they get a job of work, buy something to put in the communal cook-pot.

You can just throw in anything you have from any other meal. But if you want to add more vegetables, cook them separately in another pot, then add them to the stew, water and all.

Mend That Burnt-out Fuse!

There is no need to sit by the miserable light of a couple of candles when a fuse blows and all the lights go out.

Turn off the electric current at the main switch and remove the fuse holders one by one until you find the burn-out.

Loosen the screws that hold the wire in position and clear away the ends of the burnt-out wire. Replace with a short length of new "five-amp." fuse wire. Fuse holders vary in pattern, but you can see how the wire is fixed by looking at one of the intact fuses.

Replace the fuses, put the lid on the fuse box, and turn on the current. All should now be well, but if the lights fail to function, or the fuse blows again immediately, there is a fault in the wiring, and an electrician should be sent for.

Remember to keep a coil of fuse-wire hanging near the fuse box, so that it can be found in the darkness when required.

G. L. W.

Have You Got CHARM

Answer "Yes" or "No" to the following questions. Then count the number of times your answer is "Yes." If ten times, you are very charming. If five times or more you have charm. If less than five times you had better start a campaign of self-improvement at once.

1. Do you enjoy being with people?
2. Are you an interested listener?
3. Do you think about the interests and activities of the person to whom you are talking, so that you can ask questions that draw him out?
4. Do you smile at people when you meet them or are talking with them?
5. Do you look for things to appreciate in people and in some way express your appreciation?
6. Do you avoid belittling yourself in conversation?
7. Are you free from nervous or objectionable mannerisms, such as finger tapping, sniffing, scratching, leaving your handkerchief about, etc.?
8. Could you make yourself smile and say something pleasant to a person you long to slap?
9. Do you like to make people feel important and happy when they are with you?
10. Would you put yourself to some inconvenience in order not to make a difficulty for someone else?

guests at a birthday party.

Albert Balboni who bought at auction six hundred and thirty pairs of shoes, all size 14.

District Attorney J. C. Welsh of Catskill, New York, who asked a witness a single question containing fifty-five hundred words and requiring an hour to pound.



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HUGE CROWDS WITNESS KAI TAK CEREMONIES

THERE WERE WELL OVER 5,000 SPECTATORS AT KAI TAK AIRPORT THIS MORNING TO PAY TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN A. E. LAPORTE, PILOT OF THE HONG KONG CLIPPER, AND HIS COLLEAGUES, ON THE COMPLETING OF THE INAUGURAL FLIGHT ACROSS THE PACIFIC TO HONG KONG.

Hundreds lined the foreshore while in the subsidiary hangar, the official guests, who numbered about 400, were assembled awaiting the arrival of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, and later the intrepid airmen.

RIGHT ON SCHEDULED TIME THE GIANT PLANE APPEARED OVER THE HARBOUR SHORTLY BEFORE NOON, HAVING COMPLETED THE JOURNEY FROM MANILA IN 6 HOURS 55 MINUTES, INCLUSIVE OF A SHORT STOP IN MACAO.

THE SPECIAL DAIS WHICH WAS ERECTED IN THE CENTRE OF THE HANGAR FACING THE SEA, WAS TASTEFULLY DECORATED, A UNION JACK BEING IN THE CENTRE OF THE WALL BEHIND THE DAIS SUPPORTED BY THE STARS AND STRIPES ON ONE SIDE AND THE CHINESE NATIONAL FLAG ON THE OTHER. A MICROPHONE WAS SITUATED IN FRONT OF THE DAIS.

The approach to the aerodrome was packed with a huge crowd, which the Police had great trouble in controlling. Outside the main hangar was the Sikorsky flying-boat of the China National Airways Corporation, waiting to carry mail from the United States by the Clipper, to Shanghai and North China, thereby forging the last link between the Old World and the New.

ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME

A great shout went up from the foreshore at 11.48 when the Hong Kong Clipper was first sighted moving in the direction of the harbour over Green Island. She was exactly on time and circled over the water front at 11.50 a.m., finally coming to a rest at 11.55 in a perfect landing. Loud cheers and applause greeted the airmen as they left their vessel and proceeded to the slipway where they were greeted by Mr. Moss, the Civil Superintendent of Kai Tak Airport.

Mr. Moss escorted the fliers to the subsidiary hangar, where their arrival was greeted with a burst of applause from the distinguished gathering.

After Mr. Moss had effected the introductions, they were seated on the special dais for the official party and Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith began his official welcome.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH

His Excellency said:—Captain La Porte: In the name of the British Colony of Hong Kong, I offer you and your crew our warmest welcome and our congratulations on the successful completion of this historic flight.

To-day we celebrate the final welding of perhaps the most important link in the chain of world communication. Between them the Pan-American Airways and the Imperial Airways serve a total distance of about 22,000 miles and it

is very appropriate that, by another miracle of modern science, it has been made possible for to-day's proceedings to be directly audible throughout the United States of America as well as in Australia and other nearer places.

One is sometimes tempted to wonder whether the speeding up of life entailed in what we call the progress of civilization has in fact added anything to man's happiness: but one thing is certain, that any lessening of the physical gap that divides nation from nation, whether by flying or by wireless, is the surest means of reducing those national misunderstandings which in the past have too often led to animosities and even to wars.

ON THE AIR MAP

Hong Kong is only a tiny place but our magnificent harbour has been on the map for quite a long time. I wonder how many of my more distant listeners realise that our annual ocean-going tonnage figure is only a little behind that of New York and Liverpool.

And now it is our hope that Hong Kong will be equally on the air map, with London in one direction only nine days away and with New York in the other direction only six and a half days away. For this happy situation we have largely to thank the organizing genius of Mr. Bixby and the staff of the Pan-American Airways, and the skill and courage of you, Captain La Porte, and your crew. Again I offer you our welcome and our congratulations and I trust that the new service will prove to be not only commercially successful but also yet another bond of Anglo-American goodwill.

PILOT'S TRIBUTE

Captain LaPorte rose to his feet soon after the conclusion of Mr.

Fifteen Dead In U.S. Floods

New York, To-day.

Fifteen are dead and five missing in widespread floods in six Eastern States, while the damage is enormous.

The waters are now receding, with the exception of the Ohio River.—Reuter.

N. L. Smith's speech and was greeted with thunderous applause.

He stated that it was a very great pleasure for him and his crew to come to Hong Kong to close the last gap of air communications round the world. He hoped to cement friendships already made here, and to make new ones.

"The flight was No. 103 from San Francisco across the Pacific to the Orient, and was an uneventful one. The credit for the project must, we boys feel, go to our excellent ground staff including Mr. Bixby, who contributed much to the success of the flight," he concluded amid loud and prolonged applause.

MR. BIXBY'S SPEECH

Mr. Bixby said:—"The Union Jack is not a strange flag to Pan-American pilots. For several years our company has had the privilege of serving ports of your vast Empire—the Bahamas, Jamaica, British Honduras, British Guiana, the Windward Islands, and now Hong Kong.

"It is significant, however, that to-day at this magnificent airport, in this most beautiful of all your harbours, you have witnessed the first direct connection between the services of Pan-American and your great Imperial Airways. Soon these companies will jointly operate across the North Atlantic, and it will be possible for you to fly around the world without an interpreter—that is, if you can understand American." (laughter).

Your Excellency, may we take this opportunity to express our very sincere thanks for the friendly and wholehearted co-operation which the Colony has extended us so cordially. To your excellency, Mr. Wynne-Jones, and to the Post Office officials, the Director of Air services, and his hard-working, efficient staff—we are deeply grateful. We regret that Sir Andrew Caldecott cannot be here to welcome the inauguration of this service, which, with you, he so greatly fostered and encouraged.

"Surrounded here by our English and Chinese friends, it seems to-day that we can forget the words of your immortal Kipling—"East is East and West is West, never the twain shall meet." May we not rather hope, that this event will hasten the day when men will accept and be governed by the simple truth expressed by that older and wiser philosopher, Confucius—"In the Four Seas, all men are brothers." (loud and prolonged applause).

NANKING OFFICIAL

Mr. Chu Chang Sing, Deputy Director General of Posts at Nanking, said:—

"As the representative of the Chinese Postal Administration, it gives

me much pleasure indeed to be here to-day on this memorable occasion, of the first arrival of the Hong Kong Clipper from the United States.

"It is at the same time, the first direct air mail between America, and China via Hong Kong across the vast Pacific ocean, truly a historical feat which few of us thought possible, even in this century of progress.

"This marks another stage in the history of aviation, and is a great achievement of the Pan-American Airways, which will link China, the British Empire and America more closely together, and at the same time will be a link of goodwill, and further promote international friendship. (Applause).

"It is a matter of regret, if I may say so, that a friend of China, who to a great extent is responsible for this gathering, cannot be here with us to-day. I refer to Sir Andrew Caldecott, who has left Hong Kong only a few days ago. I am sure you will agree with me when I say that we should have liked to see him here among us on this great occasion.

"Gentlemen, on behalf of China, I take this opportunity to wish the crew of the Clipper God-speed and a successful journey home, with the hope that they will continue to contribute their share towards international peace and friendship among all nations. (loud applause).

THE CHRISTENING

As soon as the last speaker had concluded, the official guests filed out onto the foreshore where they witnessed His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government and Miss Judith Smith, and Mr. Bixby and his party board the Government Launch Lila, which conveyed them to the Hong Kong Clipper, which was resting peacefully at her anchorage.

There Miss Judith Smith broke a bottle of champagne over the nose of the Clipper, naming her officially the "Hong Kong Clipper."

OFFICIAL GUESTS

The official guests present at the function were:

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Mr. N. L. Smith, Mrs. N. L. Smith and Miss J. Smith, Rear Admiral and Mrs. C. G. Sedgwick, H. E. Major General and Mrs. A. W. Bartholomew, Brigadier and Mrs. H. G. Seth Smith, Lady MacGregor, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones and Mrs. Wynne-Jones, Comdr. Newill, Mr. Moss, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. C. G. and Miss Alabaster, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. C. North, Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrie, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, Hon. Sir H. E. and Lady Pollock, Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt., Hon. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., Sir William Hornell, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hughes, Hon. Dr. and Mrs. Li Shu-fan, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Shields, and practically the entire official community, foreign consuls, heads of firms, and representatives of the various oil and petroleum companies in the Colony.

MAIL BAGS

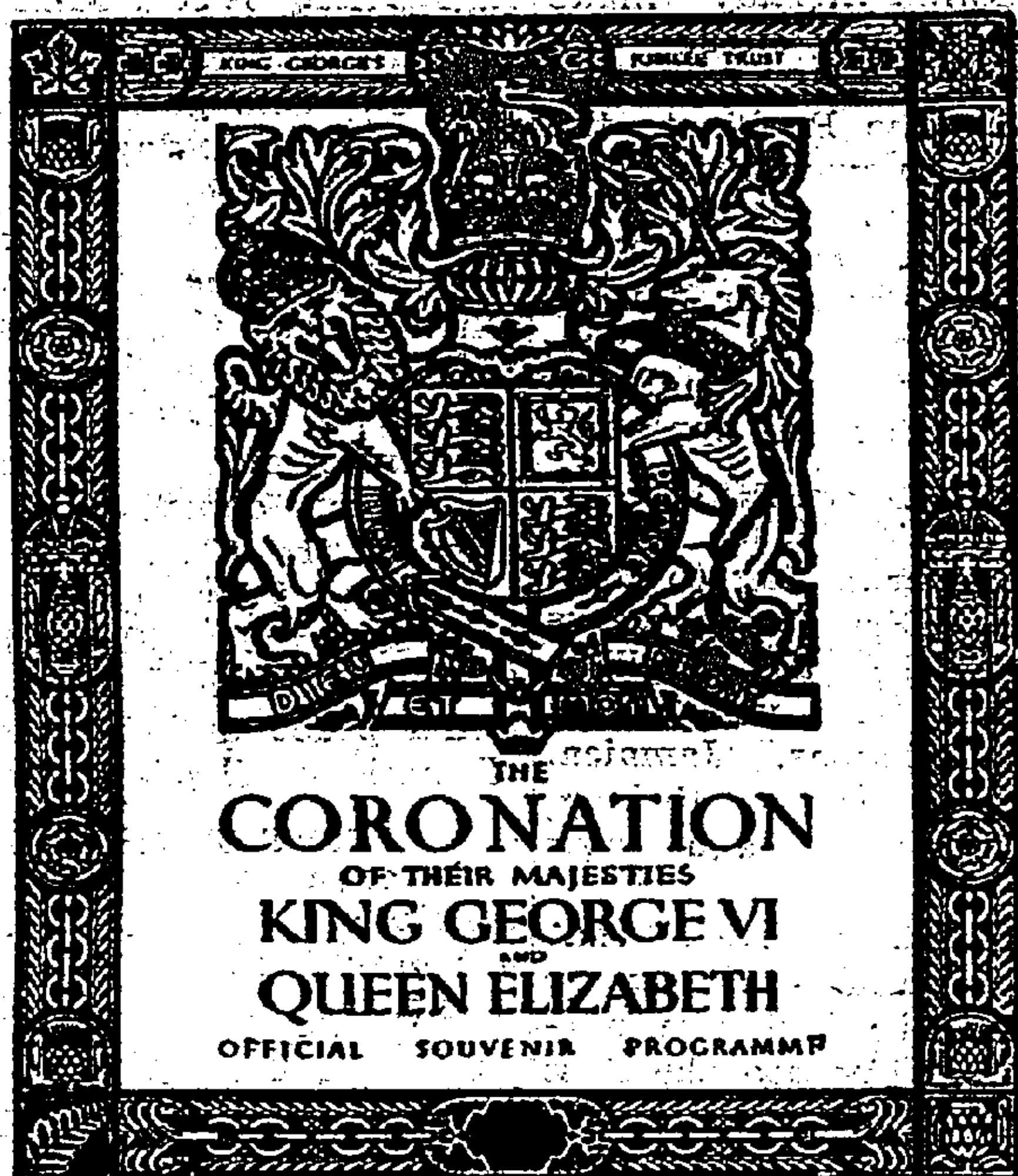
The Clipper brought to Hong Kong from America thirty bags of mails, totalling 478.114 kilos.

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The Official Information contained in this Souvenir Programme will enable those who will be listening to the Coronation broadcast from London to follow the historic ceremony word for word. The Programme will be treasured as a lasting record of His Majesty's Coronation. It will be on sale on Friday, April 28th. The public are advised to order their copies in advance from newsgents or booksellers.

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AMERICA'S GOLD PROBLEM

Rumours of impending action by the United States Government to check or control gold movements continue to agitate financial circles, despite repeated denials that America's gold policy has undergone any change. Suggestions are made of an intention to return to a gold standard or of placing a heavy import tax upon gold. Behind these reports there is probably little substance beyond the knowledge that Mr. Morgenthau and the Federal Reserve Bank are exceedingly worried by the increasing influx of foreign currency into the United States for speculative purposes. It represents the so-called "floating capital" of the world, which drifts from country to country, causing trouble on arrival and greater trouble on its sometimes hurried withdrawal.

It is this special feature of America's problem to-day that has given rise to the rumours of action. Mr. Morgenthau feels such funds create an element of instability in the American system. They enhance recovery abnormally and, therefore, unsafely. Suppose, when the bloom has worn off American recovery, or after stability has been restored elsewhere, the owners of this foreign money take it into their heads to sell their holdings in America and repatriate the proceeds. The consequent gap in the American markets might easily precipitate an abnormal recession.

For these reasons much study has been devoted in Washington to possible measures at least for stemming the inflow. In France, whence much of the money has been going the same kind of study has been in progress to discourage the outflow. M. Blum hit upon two remedial devices: first, the restoration of a free gold market in Paris; second, the raising of an internal loan, interest payments on which are to be made to the bond buyers in foreign currencies. The reasoning behind the measures was simple. As soon the French money-holder who had been frightened by the social legislation of M. Blum, as American financiers were frightened by the social legislation of the New Deal in 1933, were assured that they would be repaid in currencies in which they have confidence, or in gold, they were readily persuaded to lend their capital to the French Government. The French loans were, indeed, remarkably successful

and removed anxiety from French minds, although the effect of reducing the influx of gold in America was not so marked as was expected. Mr. Morgenthau's problem, therefore, remains. But it is most unlikely that any drastic step will be taken. The mere hint upset markets dangerously. It became plain that action along the lines suggested, if authorised would do more harm than it was designed to cure.

The Clipper

This morning, with the arrival of the Hong Kong Clipper from Manila with the first direct air mail from the United States, another important milestone is passed in aviation history. It means much more than just the development of a new service, the establishment of a shuttle line between Manila and Hong Kong. The significance to Hong Kong is the endorsement of the Colony's status as the aerial Clapham Junction of the Far East. From Hong Kong services now radiate to all parts of the world, so that there is no point in the globe with established services that cannot be reached by air from Hong Kong. Today's flight from Manila, first journey in a regular service for the future, completes the round the world chain which has been the dream of all commercial aviation pioneers and the occasion is being fittingly commemorated. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government will be present to extend a personal welcome to the pilot and crew of the Clipper, blazers of the new trial which opens up such immense possibilities for the future. One of the greatest regrets of Sir Andrew Caldecott, who contributed so much to the creation of the opportunity for to-day's function, was that he would be unable to be present personally to see the happy culmination of his high hopes.

Bold Coal Legislation?

\$56,000,000 is to be the immediate cost of the new British coal legislation. The dispute over the compensation to be paid to the owners of the mining royalties has held up the introduction of the bill to nationalise them, but that will come now that the arbitration award has been announced and accepted.

The announcement refutes suggestions that the Government is running away from the reorganisation bill — Mr. Runciman's measure of last session, which was to have given compulsory powers for the amalgamation of collieries to the Coalmines Reorganisation Commission. The complete coal legislation, when it is produced, so it is claimed, will finally dispose of any charge of timidity in the Government. We shall see. Boldness is a relative term, and very relative where this Government is concerned.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

CEASELESS: "The growth and development of the body are not fully accomplished by what is generally regarded as the reaching of maturity."—Dr. Ales Hrdlicka.

ZEAL: "Christianity must assume a new aggressiveness, must cease pink-tea attitudes and with moral boldness undertake to show the way out."—Dr. E. Stanley Jones.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER AND THE CORONATION PROGRAMME RELEASE CELEBRATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE SOUVENIR PROGRAMME OF THE CORONATION, DRAWN UP UNDER THE AUSPICES OF KING GEORGE'S JUBILEE TRUST, IS NOW AVAILABLE ALL OVER THE EMPIRE.

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THIS FACT WAS REVEALED BY THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER, WHO AS CHAIRMAN OF KING GEORGE'S JUBILEE TRUST, PRESIDED AT A LUNCHEON AT ST. JAMES' PALACE YESTERDAY TO CELEBRATE PUBLICATION OF THE PROGRAMME.

Most of the 150 guests had assisted in preparation or distribution of the programme.

The Duke mentioned that the overseas edition had been despatched to the furthestmost parts of the world as long ago as February. This was followed by special editions prepared for Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India, while more recently nearly 100,000 copies were sent to the United States.

The Duke concluded by quoting from his own foreword to the programme:

"If the people of the British Empire are brought into more intimate touch with the Coronation ceremony on that day and at that hour when they are all more than ever in the thoughts and prayers of Their Majesties, then indeed King George's Jubilee Trust will have performed a service."

BRITISH DEMOCRACY

The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, thanking the Duke of Gloucester for presiding, said the British monarchy was never more firmly rooted than today in the soil of British democracy.

This fact was due largely to the personalities of our Kings and Queens and to the way in which they had identified themselves in the last quarter of a century with the fluctuating fortunes of the British people, and also the way in which they served their subjects.

But, during the past quarter of a century, the Crown had achieved a new and greater significance. One of the changes which had been taking place was the growth of freedom all over the Empire.

LINK OF CROWN

The Dominions, he said, were partners with Britain in the Commonwealth of free and equal nations, and during the process of change many old constitutional ties between the Dominions and this country had been broken, but one firm constitutional link remained—the Crown.

The Crown was a symbol of the free association of the people of the Commonwealth.

"When His Majesty a fortnight hence is driving to the Abbey to assume the crown, there will ride with him and with Her Majesty the heartfelt wishes and high hopes of his peoples scattered all round the earth."

These peoples desired to be able to follow every stage of the historic ceremony, and two things would enable them to do so, namely, the broadcast which had been arranged and the official programme.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

The programme is published in two editions, a standard edition with a cover showing the Royal

coat of arms in full colours and a de luxe edition printed in black and gold.

Each contains details of the processions, special photographs of Their Majesties and members of the Royal Family, the full text of the Abbey service, a "prayer for the King's reign" by the Poet Laureate, Mr. John Masefield, a description and illustrations of the regalia and an article by the late John Drinkwater entitled "The King's Majesty," dealing with the significance of the Coronation in relation to the Empire.

FIRST PROCESSIONS

The first procession of motor-cars conveying certain members of the Royal Family and representatives of foreign Powers will leave Buckingham Palace for Westminster Abbey as early as 8.40 on the morning of May 12.

A carriage procession of British and Dominion Prime Ministers, representatives of Indian and Colonial rulers, will follow from the Palace at 9.15.

The Premier, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who will occupy the first of the eleven carriages in this procession, will be escorted by Metropolitan mounted police.

Each Dominions Prime Minister will occupy a carriage with a mounted escort of troops drawn from the Coronation contingent of his own country.

Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan (India) will be escorted in his carriage by Indian cavalry.

Troopers of the 16/5 Lancers will escort the Colonial Sultans' carriages.

GLASS COACHES

The third Buckingham Palace procession, which will leave at 9.50, will convey the Royal Family with escort.

Queen Mary's carriage procession will leave Marlborough House at 10.10 and will consist of Her Majesty in a glass coach and her sister-in-law, the Queen of Norway.

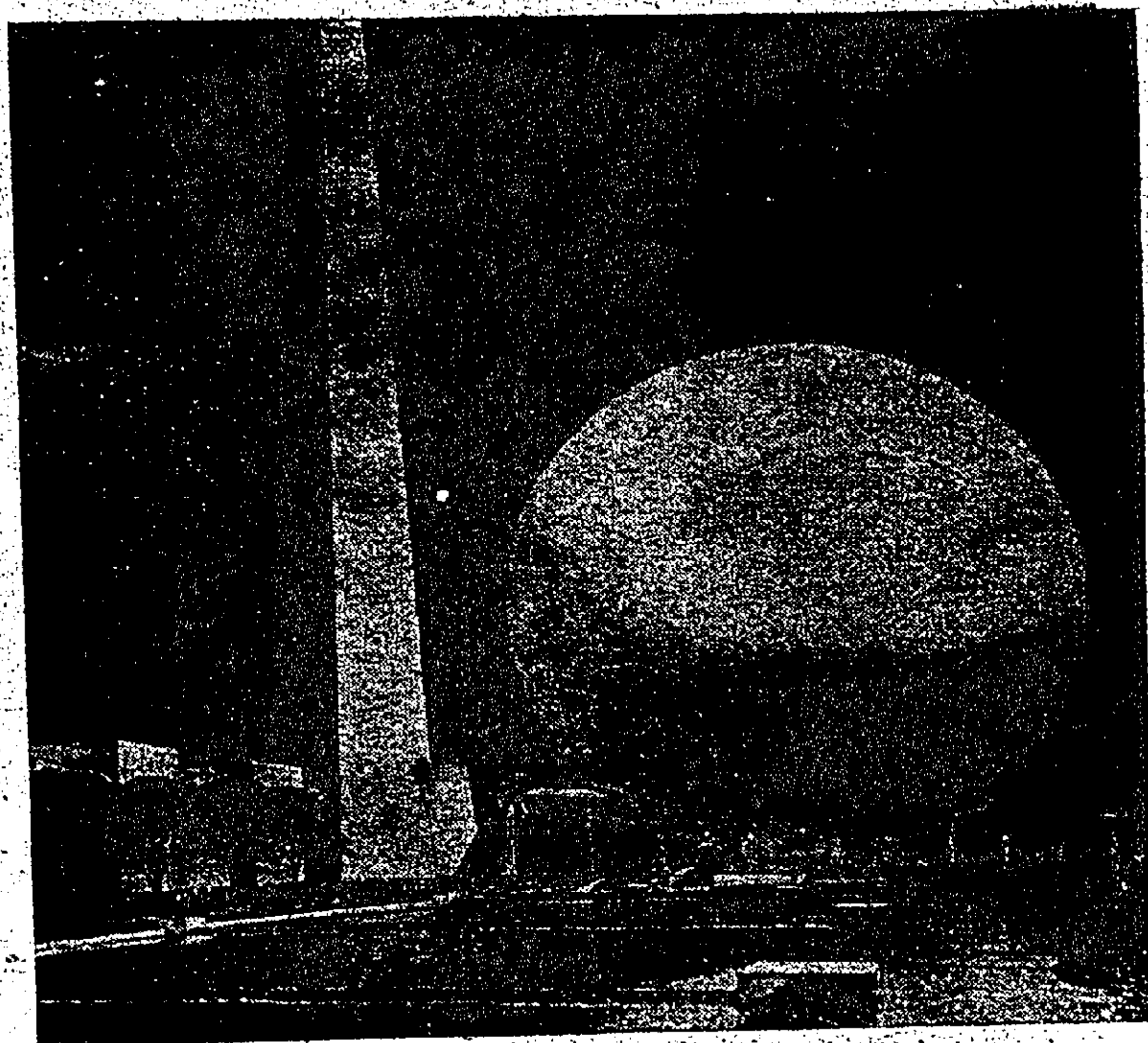
The King and Queen will leave the Palace at 10.30 in the State coach drawn by the Windsor greys and followed by an imposing array of prominent officers and troops, including in addition to the Sovereign's Escort, escorts of Dominion, Colonial and Indian Army officers.

The honorary Indian A.D.C.'s to the King will immediately precede the State coach.

The Dukes of Gloucester and Kent, as principal A.D.C.'s to the King, will follow the coach.

41 GUNS

A Royal Salute of 41 guns fired from St. James' Park and a Royal Salute of 62 guns at the Tower of London, will announce the actual moment of the Coronation at the



An artist's sketch of the 200-foot Perisphere within which visitors to the New York World's Fair will view, from a revolving platform suspended in mid-air, a dramatization of the World of Tomorrow. Clusters of fountains will screen the piers supporting the Sphere so that the great ball will appear to be poised on jets of water.

Abbey.

In addition to the foregoing processions, there will also be the Lord Mayor of London's procession and the Speaker of the House of Commons.

The great procession after the Coronation ceremony will include dismounted representatives from all the defence Services of the Empire, as well as mounted representatives.

It is timed to leave the Abbey at 2.15 in the afternoon and reach the

Palace at the end of the long route through the West End at 3.50.

RETURN JOURNEY

On the return visit the order of carriages of the Prime Ministers, the India and Burma representatives and the Colonial rulers, will be reversed, Mr. Baldwin's carriage being last and immediately preceding the Royal procession.

The route will be lined by naval, military and air force detachments.

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Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews, noted for his Mongolian explorations, and Mrs. Osa Johnson, well-known big-game huntress, swap tall stories at their meeting in New York where Mrs. Johnson is seeking special treatment for her injured leg. Her husband Martin Johnson, lost his life in the West Coast plane crash in which she was injured.



Richard Frankenstein (left), organiser of the American Committee of Industrial Organisation, and Neil McAllister, chief shop union steward, two of the brains behind the recent strike of Chrysler employees in Detroit.

BAN ON DEUTSCHE

STRONG OUTBURST OF INDIGNATION IN GERMANY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin, To-day.

Another outbreak of indignation has been caused in Germany by the action of the Administrator of South-West Africa, Dr. D. G. Conradie, in declaring the "Deutsche Bund" a political organisation and forbidding membership in the organisation to all non-British residents in the territory.

THIS FRESH "AFFRONT," IT IS STATED HERE, CAME JUST TWO DAYS AFTER THE UNION GOVERNMENT HAD ASSURED THE REICH GOVERNMENT THAT THERE WOULD PROBABLY BE NO GROUNDS FOR APPLYING THE CLAUSES OF THE PROCLAMATION AGAINST POLITICAL ORGANISATIONS.

The official German news agency reports that the action has caused "not only indignation but astonishment" among Germans in South-West Africa, as negotiations had been going on between the Union Government and the organisation's leaders for arriving at some basis of agreement.

It is thought in Berlin that the action is an "attempt to divide Germans in the territory into two groups." This, however, will not be successful as "Germans will not oppose Germans."

"Dr. Conradie," political quarters state, "has been re-appointed Administrator for a term of five years and he has begun his new term of office in unique manner."—Trans-Ocean.

COUNTERFEIT COIN PLANT RAIDED

Two Arrests Made In Canton

Canton, To-day.

Another big counterfeit coin plant has been discovered and seized, this time at Kong Chuen, in the northern suburbs. Two arrests were made.

Hong Kong ten-cent pieces to the value of several thousand dollars were found. The counterfeiters also had dies for the production of Kwangtung 10 cent and 20 cent pieces.—Our Own Correspondent.



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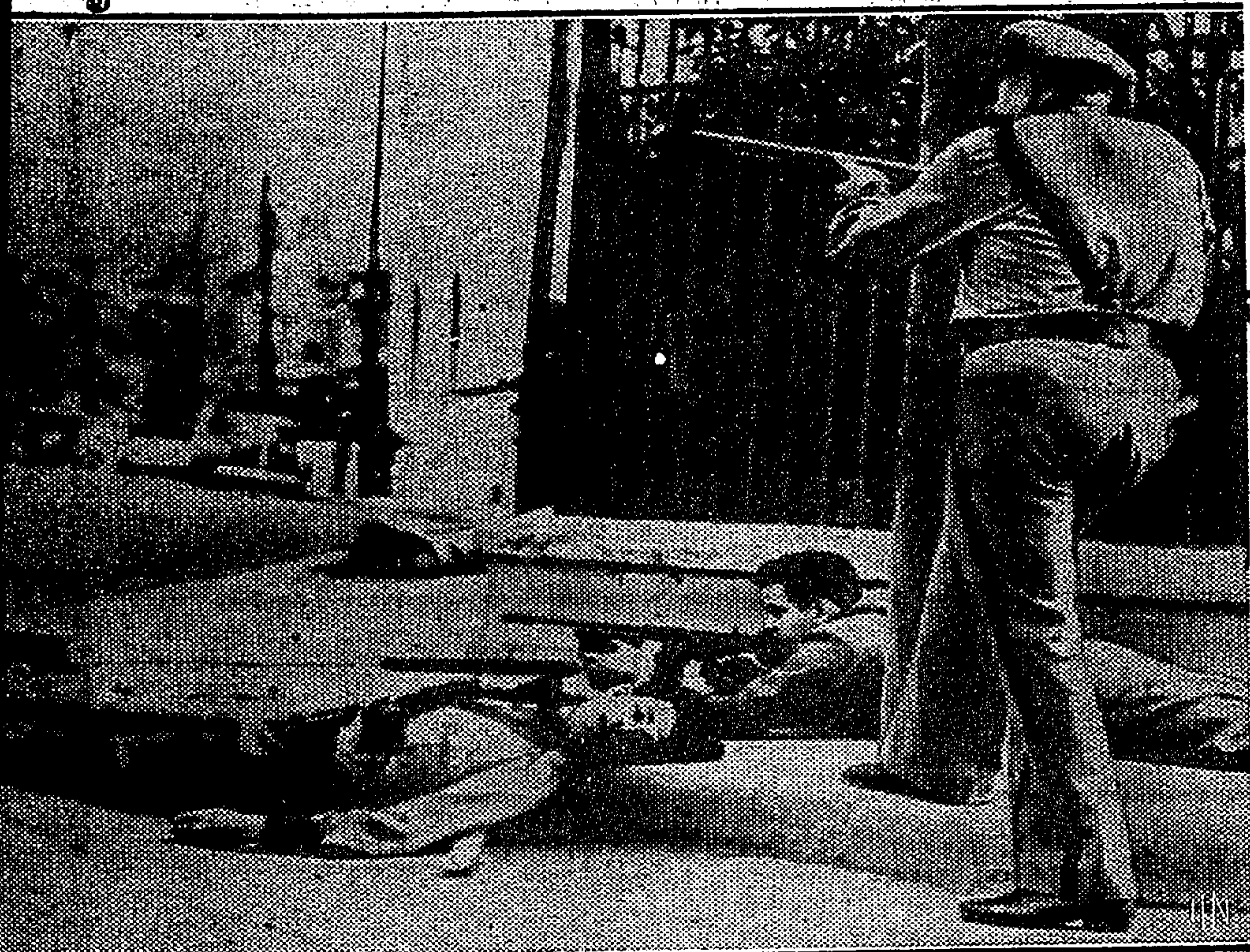
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BUND IN S. AFRICA



Picture, made during the sanguinary Sunday rioting at Ponce, Puerto Rico, shows two police officers—one prone, the other seeking shelter behind a light pole, while the third lies dead on the ground. The riot was the climax of a Nationalist demonstration demanding independence from the United States.

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



JOHN SELMAN

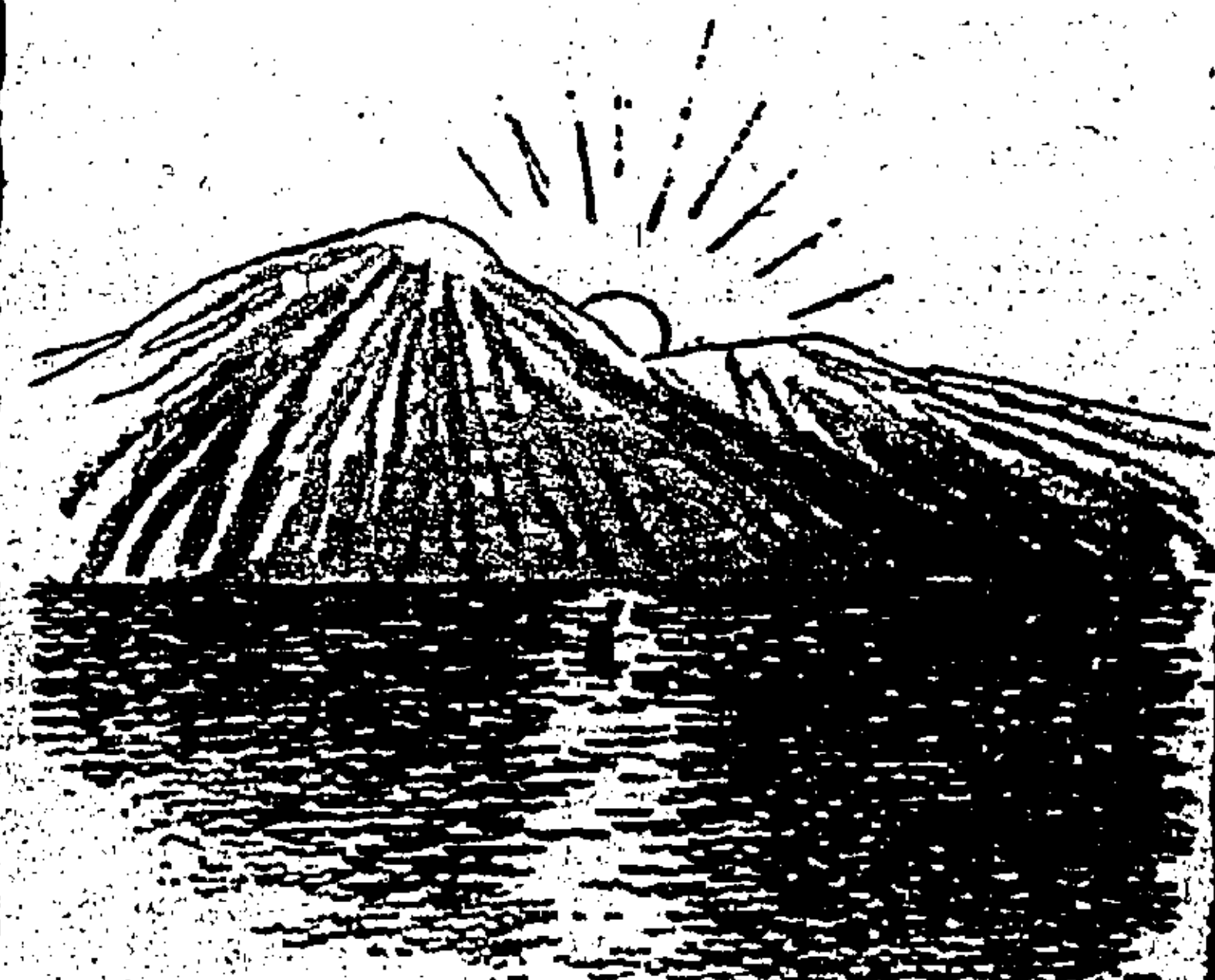
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THE POET----- HE NEVER READ,
UPON THAT FACT I'LL----- MY HEAD.



A CARRIER PIGEON WAS SENTENCED TO DEATH AS A SPY. Belgrade, Jugoslavia

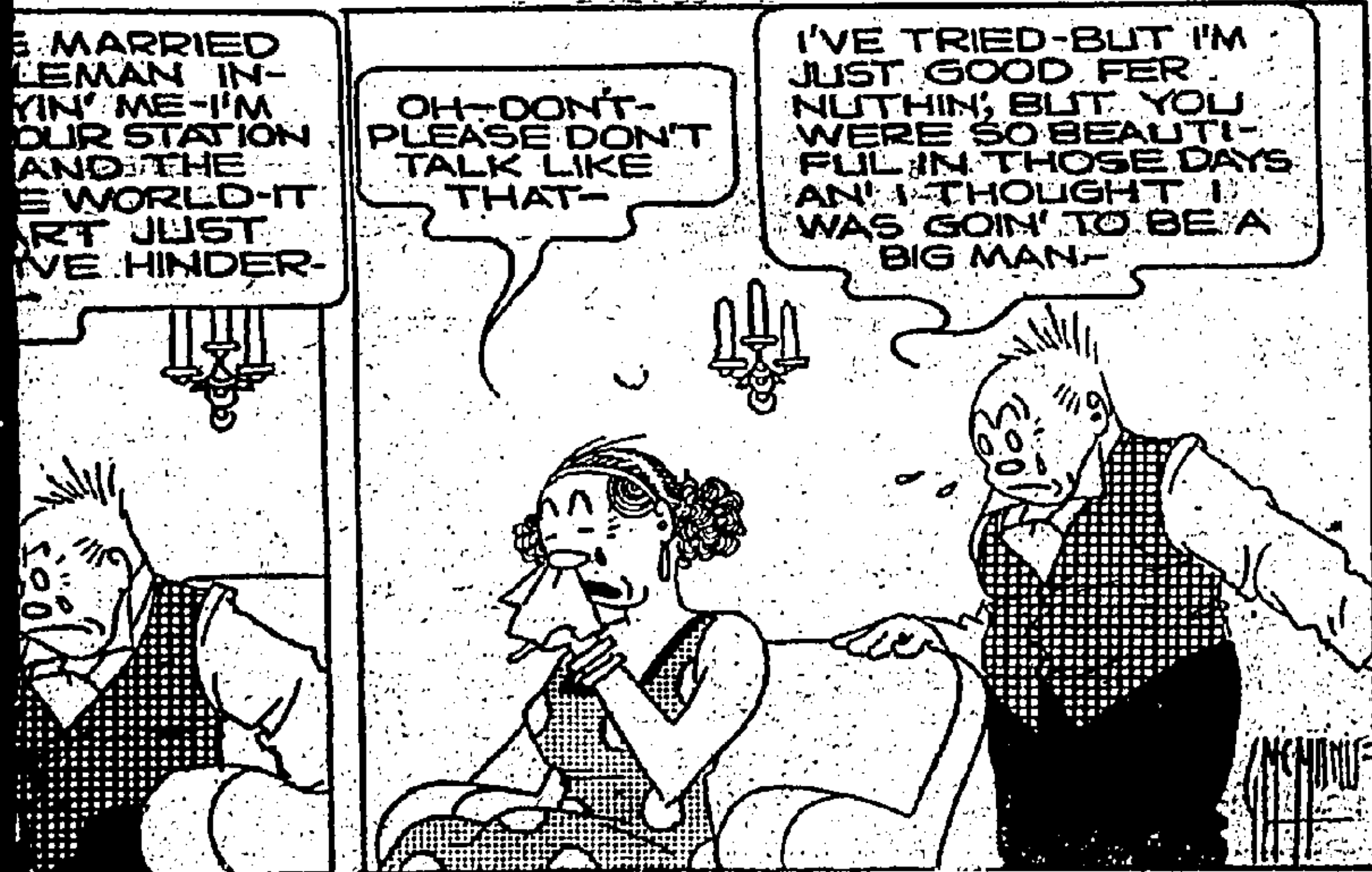


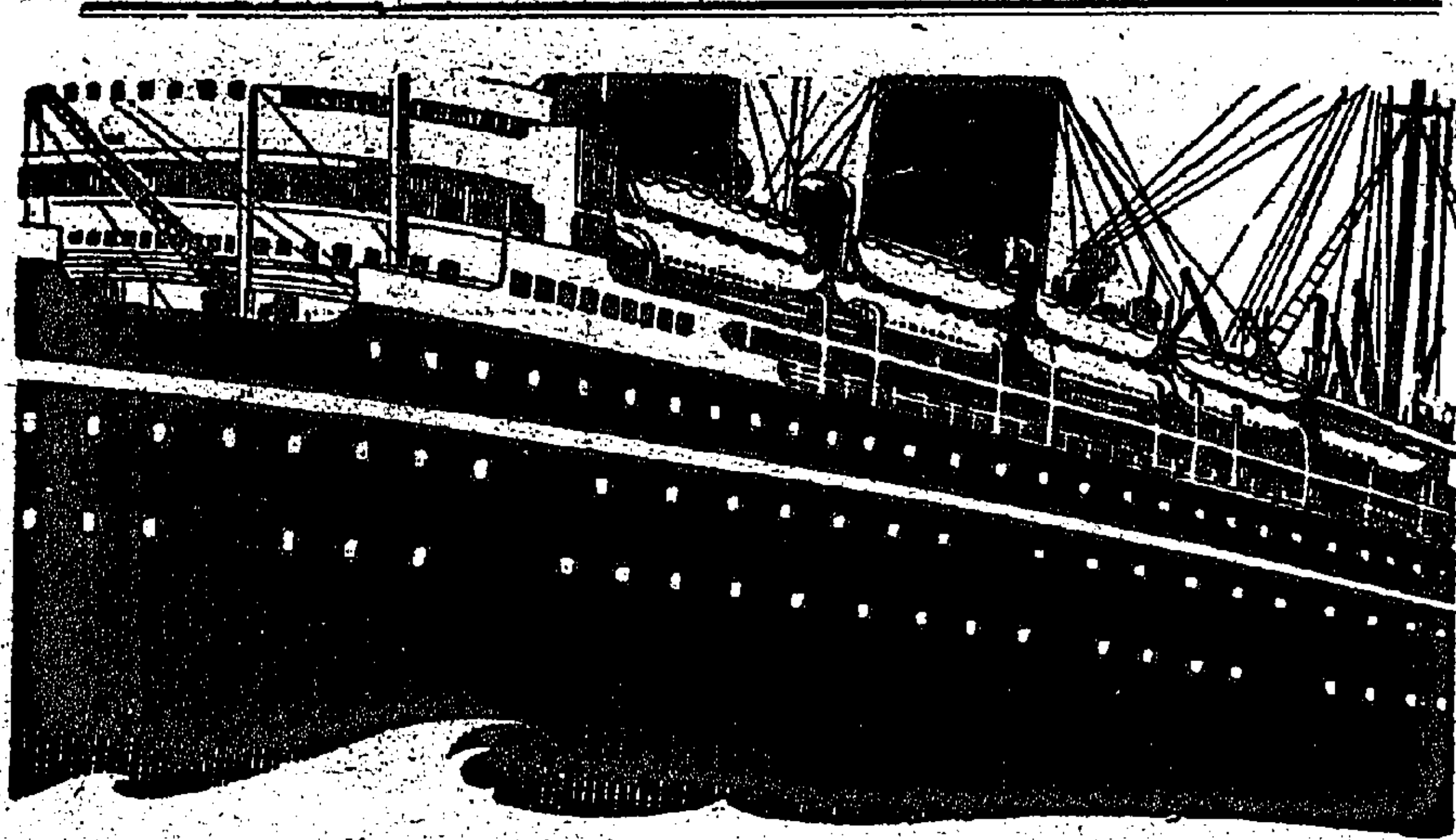
EURIPUS OR "STRONG STREAM" FLOWS IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS THE REASON IS STILL A MYSTERY

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U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 10th April)	General Lee	April 30.
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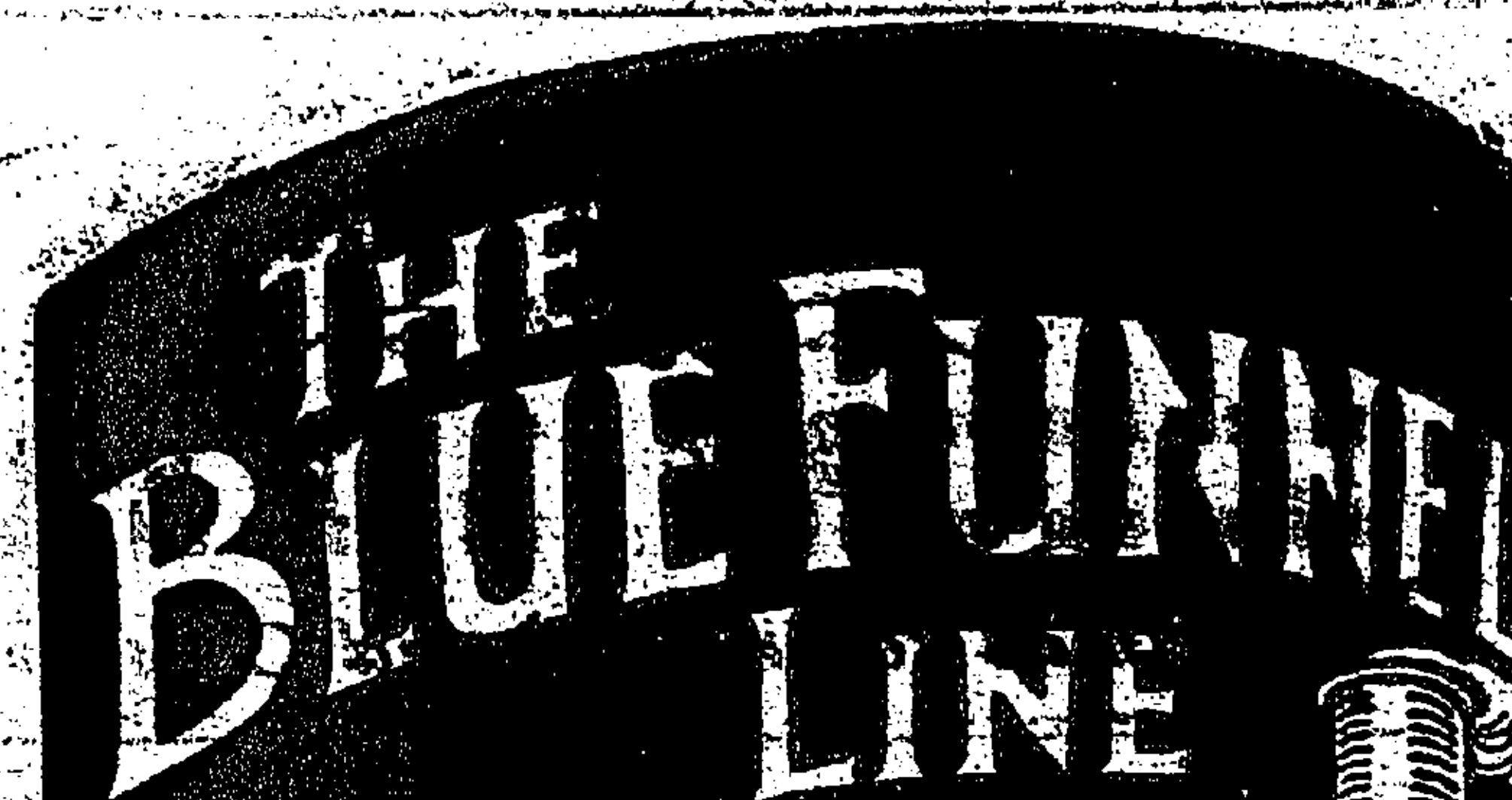
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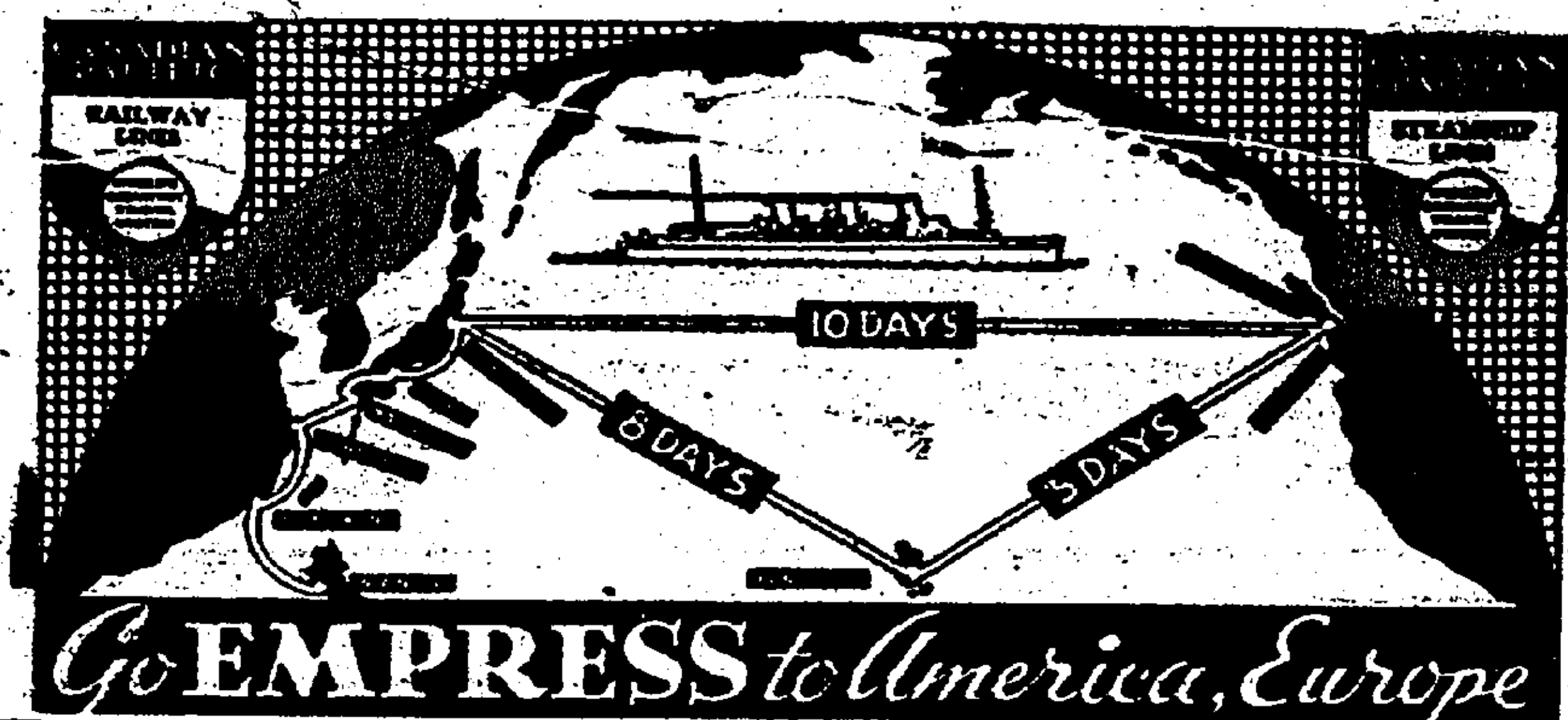
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Secret Navy In Japan

BUILDING OF BIG SHIPS

In respect of naval policy Japan has reverted to the hermit-like seclusion in which she lived up to the middle of last century, writes Hector Bywater.

Since last autumn all the usual channels through which information about Japanese naval construction was previously obtained have been blocked. Not only have the Japanese newspapers been forbidden to mention this subject, but the Japanese Diet has been told that no information can be imparted to it concerning the numbers and types of warships under construction, or the progress of building. It must vote the money without asking questions.

Japan had already declined to join in the international system for exchanging naval information established by the London Treaty of 1936. Since then every possible loophole—official as well as unofficial, it is understood—has been sealed.

It is doubtful whether anybody outside the Ministry of Marine in Tokyo knows what is going on in the Japanese dockyard, or what the approximate strength of the Japanese Navy will be two or three years hence.

Provisions Of Treaty

This singular situation may have serious political reactions. By last year's treaty the British Empire, the United States, and France agreed to accept qualitative restrictions on their future warships, and these limits have since been accepted in principle by Italy, Germany, and Russia.

Battleships are restricted to 35,000 tons, and their guns were not to exceed 14in calibre, though this has now been raised to 16in following Japan's refusal to conform. Cruisers were limited to 8,000 tons and 6.1in guns, aircraft carriers to 23,000 tons, destroyers to 1,850 tons, and submarines to 2,000 tons.

It is obvious, however, that these limits can be adhered to only if they are accepted by all the leading navies. Japan, by rejecting them in toto, may have signed the death-warrant of naval limitation, and, incidentally, torpedoed the 1936 treaty.

Secret Building

There are persistent reports from Washington and Berlin that Japan is laying down capital ships considerably larger than 35,000 tons, as well as cruisers of 9,000 to 10,000 tons. If this is confirmed the escape clauses of the treaty will probably be invoked at once by the United States, which is determined to maintain its relative strength in the Pacific.

Japanese naval experts are quoted as saying that America cannot compete with their super-battleships, because no vessel above 35,000 tons could use the Panama Canal. That is a fallacy, as the locks have a width of 110ft, and H.M.S. Hood, of 42,100 tons, has a beam of 105½ ft.

The only definite item of news is that the Japanese Navy estimates

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1862½ b., \$1862½ sa.

Bank of East Asia \$92 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Canton Ins. \$325 b.

Union Ins. \$622 b.

China Underwriters \$1.55 b.

H. K. Fire Ins. \$280 b.

SHIPPING

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DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$117 b.

H. K. and W. Docks \$31¼/½ sa.

Providents (Old) \$2¼ b., \$2.30/35 sa.

Providents (New) 30 cts. b., 30 cts. sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$7.45 b., \$7.40/45 sa.

H. K. Lands \$35½ b.

H. K. Realities \$5.90 b., \$6.50 sa.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$15¼ b., \$15.30/40 sa.

Peak Trams (Old) \$4½ b.

Peak Trams (New) \$1¼ b.

Yaumati Ferries \$26 sa.

China Lights (Old) \$14½ b., \$14.60 sa.

China Lights (New) \$14¼ b., \$14.30 sa.

H. K. Electrics \$60¼ b., \$61 sa.

Macao Electrics \$17½ b.

Sandakan Lights \$12¼ b.

Telephones (Old) \$30 sa.

Telephones (New) \$12.70 b., \$12.65/80 sa.

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LOCAL DOLLAR

London Silver Prices

The dollar opened on demand today at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot silver was quoted at 20-¼ and "forward," at 20-5/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$—U.S.\$4.9440 and the New York on London cross-rate at 4.94.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:—

Spot 37-¾ b. up ¾.

May/June 37-¾ b. up ¾.

July/Sept. 37-¾ b. up ¾.

Oct./Dec. 37-¾ b. up ¾.

Market: Quiet.

for 1936-37, amounting to approximately £30,000,000—24 per cent. of the entire Budget—will be considerably exceeded in the new financial year, largely owing to the big building programme now in hand.

NANKING ADOPTS INCOME TAX RULE

A set of measures for the relief of the situation arising out of the imposition of income tax on the interest derived from Government bonds which have been pledged by the various Government organs as security for loans, was adopted at the 309th meeting of the Executive Yuan in accordance with the joint report of the ministries of Finance, Industry, Communications and Railways.

The measures provide that all Government bonds which have already been pledged by the issuing organs for cash loans are to be exempted from income tax before the repayment of the loan. In respect of all interest which has accrued prior to the adoption of these measures, income tax already collected is to be refunded accordingly.

As regards this exemption and refunding of income tax, the organs concerned should report to the Ministry of Finance the numbers of the aforesaid bonds, the amounts, date pledged, rate of interest and amount of income tax.

Income tax should be imposed on interest from all other bonds. Hereafter when the payment of income tax on the interest from bonds affects the proceeds of the loans secured on these bonds, the Government organs responsible for the issue of the bonds may list in their respective budgets the amounts of the tax payable.

JAPANESE INVESTMENTS IN CHINA

£1,000,000 Last Year

Japan's investments in China during 1936 are estimated to have totalled about £1,000,000, according to a report received by the Japanese Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Investments in the cotton spinning industry, estimated to total about £400,000, accounted for nearly half this amount.

Japanese investments in the metal industry are said to have totalled £73,500, while eight Japanese companies invested £30,000 in the dyestuff manufacturing industry in China last year.

Investments in other industrial enterprises were generally small, amounting to £40,000. In addition to these industrial investments, the Mitsubishi Bank invested £50,000 in real estate, and the Whangpoo Wharf Co. £15,000. Several other concerns also invested in land and buildings.

Japan also invested £100,000 in China for cultural promotion. Other investments combined are said to have amounted to about £300,000.

The two books, "Lenin" by Jean Jacoby, and "Stalin" by Henri Barbusse, have been banned by the Egyptian Government.

RAILWAY RUMOURS DENIED

Reports alleging that negotiations have been going on between the Chinese and Japanese authorities in North China for the construction of the Tsangchow-Shinchichang Railway are flatly denied by the Ministry of Railways.

No provincial or local government, it is stated, enjoys the right to negotiate, without the consent of the Central authorities, with other parties for the building of railways in his country. Furthermore, it is emphasised, the ministry has never sent any representative to the North to undertake the negotiations.

Prof. Carl Wiggers, Prof. of Physiology, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, will give a lecture before the Hong Kong University Medical Society to-morrow at 5.30 p.m., in the Union Assembly Room. He will talk on "Some Applications of Physiology to Medicine."

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STRONG SWIMMING TEAM

CHINESE FOR THE CORONATION GALA PROBABLE STARS

Will the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation be able to enter a team to represent China in the Medley Relay event at the forthcoming Coronation Gala, to be held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club? This problem is now being seriously discussed by the Federation Officials, who will have a difficult task in the course of the next fortnight to select swimmers for this event.

Most of the local Chinese swimmers of note have proceeded North or abroad, and most of those who are still in the Colony, are only good enough for individual events.

The Federation will, however, be able to enter a strong water-polo combination. Po King-fuk, Fung Kwok-wa, Robert Chan and his brother Chan Luet-kee, Ng Kam-chuen, Chu Chuk-yau, and Chan Shek-pui, will probably play water-polo.

PROBABLE SWIMMERS

The Federation will probably select Tsang Ho-fuk for the short-distance events, and Mak Wai-ming, of the Civil Service Club, for the middle and long-distance events. The only well-known Chinese back-stroke swimmer and Colony champion Lau Po-hee and Wong Yu-man, runner-up in the Colony breast-stroke event, will probably represent them in these events.

It is not known whether there will be any events for lady competitors, but the Federation will be prepared in case there should be.

If Miss Yeung Sau-king, China's champion lady swimmer, does not compete, the services of Miss Leung Wing-han, who came in second to Miss Yeung in the back-stroke event at the last China National Games will be available. This young girl has shown a vast improvement and promise of better things to come.

Besides her, there is Miss Chan Yuk-king, the Civil Service Club (breast-stroke) and Miss Chan Woon-king, a well-known sprinter.

The Federation will be able to raise a very strong swimming team for all the events, and should constitute a definite menace to Portugal and Gt. Britain.

Lapsley Playing Again

R. Lapsley Snr., Colony lawn bowls singles champion in 1927, is again to take an active part this season as he will skip one of the rinks of the Kowloon Football Club in the Third Division.

Taikoo Bowls Players

The following players have signified their intention of playing for the Taikoo Recreation Club in the Lawn Bowls League:—T. V. Stainton, H. C. Higgs, W. Brown, T. Grimes, N. J. Colgan, J. A. Watson, W. Melrose, H. Smith, J. C. Chalmers, S. Newman and T. Hilton.

TO-DAY'S BIG TENNIS CLASSIC

E. C. Fincher To Meet S. A. Rumjahn

The postponed Open Singles Tennis Semi-Final between E. C. Fincher and S. A. Rumjahn will be played off this afternoon and, provided both players strike anything like normal form, should result in the finest game so far seen in a tournament, rendered comparatively uninteresting by the unavoidable withdrawal of several of the stars. Rumjahn is favoured to win, chiefly because he has more stamina than his opponent; but supporters of the K.C.C. player are of the opinion that he is showing better form this year than ever and with the aid of a much-improved forehand drive coupled with his usual volleying consistency, he should just about win the first open tennis title of his career.

CLUB H'CAP. MIXED DOUBLES FINAL HELD

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MRS. WOOD SHINES; BUT PARTNER WEAK

On the Stand Court, of the Hong Kong C.C., yesterday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sullivan (owe 15) beat G. Polglase and Mrs. R. M. Wood (owe 4.6) 8-6, 6-3 in the Final of the Club Mixed Doubles event.

This game provided several very interesting rallies, both ladies being of a fair standard, with little to choose between them for merit. It was the excellent play of Sullivan, however, which carried the day. He was streets better than his opposite number, and followed up his severe ground strokes with fine positioning at the net which resulted in quick interceptions, which demoralised the opposition.

Polglase is clearly not equipped for doubles play. His strokes off the ground are reliable enough, but he has no semblance of a volley or smash, and missed innumerable opportunities of scoring outright winners at the net, as a result.

MRS. WOOD SHINES

In the first set, Mrs. Wood was slightly the better of the two ladies and scored consistently with a very nice forehand drive which just skimmed the net. In the second set, she could not keep the ball away from Sullivan, and this clearly upset her to such an extent that at one period she completely lost her touch and was hitting wildly. It must be remembered, however, that she was forced to carry the entire responsibility, as Polglase, despite his volleying weakness, persisted in positioning himself on the forecourt with disastrous consequences.

HER BEST STROKE

Mrs. Sullivan's best stroke was her forehand drive which, despite an inclination to overhit, was very reliable. All her shots were sufficiently powerful to pass Polglase, who rarely had a chance of intercepting. In the second set she

MEET K. CHINESE TO-DAY BUT MUST ALSO BEAT S. CHINA 'A' KEEN TUSSLE EXPECTED

AFTER being dispossessed of the senior soccer championship by the Rifles, South China "A", due to their recent lapses now find themselves suddenly challenged for the runners-up position by the Seaforths and the latter's encounter to-day with the Kowloon Chinese, their last obstacle prior to meeting the deposed champions on Saturday, will be watched with great interest.

The Kowloon Chinese are near the bottom of the League table and will be without the assistance of Tsui Ah-fai, who will not be available for this game, but they have been known to strike their best when least expected to and upset will not come as a surprise.

The result of the game is of the greatest importance to the Seaforths. The loss of even a point will be sufficient to shatter their hopes for the position of runners-up. It is interesting to note that should they win to-day, they will have to obtain both points from South China "A" on Saturday.

SCOTS FAVOURED

The Seaforths have now fully settled down and they should win. The Chinese defence will be sorely tested against Ayres, McGuigan and Samson while Lai Kwok-chui, the Chinese pivot will probably be given a trying time.

To Ho-hang, at left back, without the assistance of Mak Shui-hon, may find the pace too much for him.

Chow Yim-chung and Wong Wing-hon will be the chief source of danger to the soldiers' defence, the latter being dangerous with his first-time drives.

LACK LEADER

In the other senior game the Fusiliers encounter the Police, who have not been able to maintain the same form twice this season. The inclusion of Taylor, on the Police left-wing, has strengthened the attack, but they are still in need of a shooting centre-forward. Willerton, now filling this position, is too inclined to bundle his way instead of shooting.

The Fusiliers will field their usual team with the exception of Talbot, who is on the injured list.

Several junior games are also down for decision and the meeting of the Kwong Wah and the Ordnance, who are still in the running for second place in the Third Division, should be most interesting.

scored on numerous occasions by driving straight at him.

Her service was the subject of a good deal of comment. She almost invariably put the ball into play, but it was her peculiar action which rather surprised everybody. She literally winds herself up in a slow movement which starts above the head and is continued in a complete circle until it reaches the starting point, when, after a pause, the ball is struck, still in the same gentle manner.

TO-DAY'S LEAGUE SOCCER PROGRAMME

The following are to-day's games:—

First Division	
Seaforths	v Kowloon Chinese (Kowloon, 5.15 p.m.)
Fusiliers	v Police (Prince Edward Road, 5.15 p.m.)
Second Division	
Club	v Kowloon (Club, 5.15 p.m.)
Rifles	v Fusiliers (Prince Edward Road, 3.15 p.m.)
Engineers	v Seaforths (Sookunpoo, 3.15 p.m.)
Third Division	
Engineers	v Ordnance (Kowloon, 3.15 p.m.)

BROUILLARD BARRED FOR LIFE

SEQUEL TO FIGHT WITH THIL

Paris, April 22.

Lou Brouillard of Worcester, Mass., former world's welterweight boxing champion, and his manager, Johnny Buckley of Boston, to-day were suspended for life by a special committee of the International Boxing Union.

Brouillard and Buckley will not be allowed to appear in any of the countries adhering to the Union's rules. The decision to suspend Brouillard and Buckley came after the I.B.U. had studied a referee's report on a fight between the American fighter and Marcel Thil of France several months ago. Brouillard had knocked Thil out with what the referee claimed was a low blow.

FELDMAN RETURNS HOME

London, April 6.—H. Feldman, one of the leading jockeys in South Africa, who arrived in England a week ago, is now on his way back to South Africa. It was anticipated that he would ride for V. Gilpin's stable while in England, but an urgent telegram led to a revision of plans.

WASEDA FOOTBALL TEAM'S EASY WIN

COMBINED CHINESE SCORE FIRST

JAPANESE BRILLIANT IN BALL-CONTROL

KAWAMOTO'S EIGHT GOALS!

Shanghai, April 23.

WASEDA University's visiting soccer side scored their second consecutive victory yesterday when they trounced the Combined Chinese Universities' team by ten goals to one. Very few spectators were on hand to see the Japanese overwhelm their opponents, as it was not generally expected that the match would be played, owing to the state of the turf and the steady drizzle of the past few days.

With the ground in its water-logged condition, both sides gave a very creditable performance, with the Japanese making the best use of the conditions to score five goals in each half.

It was the Combined Universities side, however, who opened the scoring, T. S. Lai, the inside-left taking a through pass to beat Sano, the Waseda keeper with a low swerving shot into the left-hand corner of the net.

KNOCKED-OUT AND THEN DISQUALIFIED

AMAZING DECISION BY REFEREE

LARRY GAINS' BIG MOMENT

London, April 6.

Larry Gains, Leicester, beat Presidio Pavesi, Italian heavy-weight champion, in curious fashion at Bristol last night.

In the seventh round of a contest scheduled for 10 Gains sent in a hard right to the jaw which floored Pavesi. While the count was in progress the referee, Mr. Billy Swift, of Plymouth, called: "Pavesi is disqualified."

Pavesi took some minutes to regain consciousness and was then carried from the ring.

HIS DECISION

The referee had previously warned both men for "not trying." His only explanation for disqualifying a boxer who had been knocked out was, "I gave my decision for good reasons."

Ringside onlookers said that Gains landed a right-hand punch which caused Pavesi to fall heavily. Other further away declared that Gains did not hit the Italian.

Son Shows Promise

D Lapsley Jr., son of the ex-champion, is following in the footsteps of his father. He showed promise of better things to come last week, when the Kowloon Football Club encountered the Kowloon Dockyard Recreation Club in a friendly match.

It did not take Waseda long to find the measure of their opponents, for soon after the Chinese scored their only goal, Kawamoto, the visitors' centre-forward, broke through to equalise. Kawamoto, incidentally, had a field day yesterday, scoring no fewer than eight goals, his colleagues serving him very well indeed by continually plying him with passes.

CUSTODIAN'S BAD DAY

The Universities' goalkeeper, S. T. Yih, had an extremely bad day, many of the goals skidding off his hands into the net. He cannot be greatly blamed as the ball assumed twice its normal weight after a few minutes of play, and the mud made handling very uncertain. The visitors cleverly took advantage of the greasy turf to send in ground shots from all angles, making S. T. Yih's job very unpleasant.

In spite of being outclassed in every department of the game the Chinese gave a very plucky display, and were always triers. Very few chances of scoring came their way, though T. Y. Liu, their centre-forward, had a great opportunity in the second half. With only the goalie to beat and in a perfect position for scoring, he sent the ball past the wrong side of the post.

WONDERFUL DISPLAY

Waseda again gave a wonderful display of correct football tactics, though the sticky ground slowed up the speed of their movements. Nevertheless the same accuracy in passing that they showed in their game against the A.S.F., was apparent yesterday. Their wingers, Takahashi and Kamo, jr., sent over some lovely centres which Kawamoto turned to good account.

With such a convincing victory, and showing that they can shoot from a distance, which appeared to be their only weakness in their first match, they should make a clean sweep of their remaining matches.



W. Lawson Little, above, who was one of the world's greatest golfers until he joined the professional ranks, was among the also-rans in the Augusta Championship which was won by Johnnie Nelson.

AMERICAN RYDER CUP PROBABLES

CONSISTENT PLAY BY NELSON

FAMOUS PLAYERS FARE POORLY

Augusta (Georgia), April 6.
Bryan Nelson, with an aggregate of 279 for 72 holes yesterday won the Augusta National Golf Championship here. He played consistently throughout the tournament, and had rounds of 66, 72, 71 and 70.

Nelson was out in 38 in his fourth round, and had a sensational homeward half of 32 — four under par. The result of the tournament is expected to play an important part in the selection of the American Ryder Cup team.

Ralph Guldahl, who recently joined the P.G.A. in order to become eligible for the Ryder Cup team — Nelson was already a member — finished second with an aggregate of 285. His rounds were 69, 72, 68 and 76.

LITTLE FIFTH

Ed. Dudley was third with 286, Harry Cooper, the London-born player, fourth with 287, and W. Lawson Little, former British and American amateur champion, fifth with 299. Horton Smith also had a total of 299 to tie with Lawson Little.

Francis Francis, the only British competitor, had an aggregate of 302. He finished 28th, being the second placed amateur, one stroke behind the American Walker Cup player, Charles Yates. Bobby Jones was 29th with an aggregate of 303, and another famous player who did not do so well was Sarazen, who was 24th with a total of 300.

HOCKEY PROTEST DISMISSED

C.B.A.-Radio Final
Sequel

PLAYERS FOR THE REST TEAM

The protest lodged by the Central British Association against an ineligible player having being included in the Radio Sports Club hockey team which won the Mamak Tournament Championship last Thursday by defeating the C. B. A. was dismissed by the Executive Council of the Tournament at a meeting in St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday.

The protest stated that Channan Singh, who had played right back was ineligible because he had previously played in a match for the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club "B" team against the Argonauts.

Mr. Guest, Captain of the Radio XI, explained that Channan Singh had been a member of the Radio Club at the time he played for the K.I.T.C. He had been standing by the touchline before the match began, and as the K.I.T.C. were a man short, he was asked to join in. Channan Singh had played in a match for the Radio prior to this, and in two games after it.

This explanation was corroborated by Messrs. Clarke and Austen.

NO VOTING POWERS

As both Guest and Clarke were members of the Radio team, they were asked to withdraw while the remainder of the committee considered the proposal, and found that Channan Singh had been eligible to play.

It was decided to hold the Champions versus the Rest match on Sunday at the H.K.S.R.A. ground, subject to the approval of the H.K.S.R.A. Bully-off will be at 11 a.m., and Rest players are requested to turn up in white knickers, not later than 10.45. Red shirts will be provided on the ground.

It was agreed to hold an end of season function at the beginning of May, Capt. Kimm and the Hon. Secretary being appointed to go in to the details.

REST PLAYERS

A committee comprising Messrs. Austen, Kerr and Guest then chose the following players, from whom the Rest team will be picked:—Cpl. Boyd (R.U.R.); Flt. Lt. Wallace (C.B.A.) and E. L. Gosano (Argonauts); Spr. Brown (R.E.); C. Q. M. S. Kerr (R.U.R.), and T. Alves (Argon.); L/Cpl. Cox (Royal Corps of Signals), Pyara Singh (K. I. T. C.), Rfm. Nolah (R.U.R.), V. Bond (C.B.A.). Reserves:—Goalkeeper, E. Alves (Nomads); Back, Cpl. Ray, (R.E.); Half back, Rfm. Boston (R.U.R.); Forwards, Capt. Ryland (R.U.R.) and J. Pinto (K.I.T.C.).

NEW WALSALL MANAGER

Mr. Tom Lowes, who has been manager of Barrow for the past five years, has been appointed manager of Walsall. In his playing days he was an inside-forward with Newcastle, Coventry City and Newport County.

AMERICA'S CUP NEW DEFENDER

MEASUREMENTS OF
THE RANGER

7,550 SQ. FT. OF
SAIL

New York, April 3.

Details of the measurements of Mr. Harold Vanderbilt's new yacht, Ranger, which may be the America's Cup defender, were revealed this afternoon. The yacht is now nearing completion at Bath, Maine.

Its length overall will be 135ft., with a water-line measurement of 87ft., beam of approximately 22ft., and draw of 15ft.

The sail area will be 7,550 sq. ft. The Ranger's tonnage will be 165½. The launching has been postponed until May 11.

The races between the defender and the challenger, Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavour II., will begin off Newport, Rhode Island, on July 31.

FAREWELL TO SOPWITH'S

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. M. Sopwith, who will be sailing early in May for New York, with the two Endeavours, in preparation for the second attempt to win back the America's Cup, will be the guests of honour at a farewell dinner at the Portsmouth Yacht Club on April 27.

The Earl of Dudley will preside, and Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes and the Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth, Adml. Sir William Fisher, will attend.

SYDNEY B. WOOD OUT OF U.S. DAVIS CUP TEAM

Heavy Fall Of Snow
On His Mine

New York, April 1.

America's Davis Cup team will be without Sydney B. Wood this year. Wood has informed the Selection Committee that he will be unable to join the team as he cannot spare the time from business to concentrate on lawn tennis.

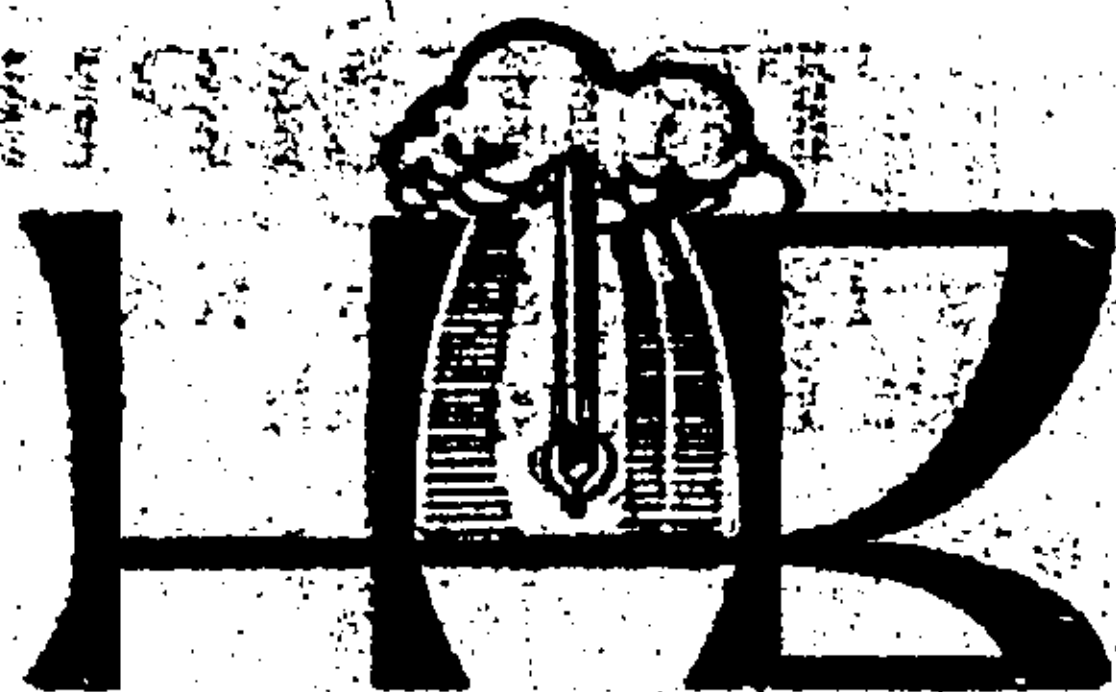
This is due to the recent heavy snowfall on his mining property in California.

America's first match is against Japan at San Francisco on April 30. Australia play Mexico on the same date at Mexico City, and the winners of the two ties will meet at Forest Hills in the zone final.

New Boxing Trainer

It is reliably learned that L/Sergeant Grindley will be taking over the training of the Royal Welch Fusiliers' boxing team when Corporal Scott leaves the Colony at the end of the year. Corporal Scott has been in charge of the team for the past five years, during which time the Fusiliers held the championship for three years at Gibraltar.

Dr. F. H. Kew was in his younger days one of the most prominent sportsmen in Hong Kong. For many years he represented the Hong Kong Football Club senior eleven as goalkeeper.



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J. H. HO'S SURPRISE DEFEAT AT PADDINGTON

Filby And Mulliken
In Final

MARY HEELEY'S SUCCESS

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

London, April 3.

There was little to inspire the semi-finalists at Paddington yesterday; showers and poor visibility were against them. And it must be confessed that many of the rallies were almost as dreary as the weather.

G. L. Rogers, the Irishman, retired from the men's singles with a strained foot, giving E. J. Filby a walk-over, and as R. E. Mulliken, after a prodigious first set, defeated J. H. Ho, the other invader, two young Englishmen will fight out the final this afternoon.

The Chinese reverse was scarcely expected after Ho's fine victory over Shaves the previous day, but Mulliken is a member of Ho's club and has been playing him regularly during the winter.

If they had agreed to hazard the issue in the first set and to bar the volley, confining every rally to defending strokes from the baseline, they could not have provided a more mechanical match. Its only redeeming feature was the stubbornness of both men.

CONDITIONS AGAINST VOLLEYING

Admittedly, the wet court and the poor sighting were against volleying sorties, but the standard of driving was so low that if either player had come in on his deeper shots he might have found a return that could have been tucked away.

The long first set, interrupted by rain, lasted well over an hour; and when the Englishman had won it his opponent was virtually through with the fight.

Miss Ford and Miss Heeley, both from the Midlands, are the women finalists. Almost with identical scores they defeated Miss Nuthall and Miss Goss respectively.

Miss Heeley, who started the match in grey trousers and, after the rain interval, finished it in regulation attire, had to ward off a most determined rally by Miss Goss, a left-hander with plenty of pluck.

MISS GOSS FIGHTS BACK

Miss Heeley appeared to have the match safe when she led 5-2 in the second set, but Miss Goss, strengthening her forcing shots on the forehand and finding moderating replies, recovered to give quite an uncertain aspect to the result.

Her stroke to save the set in the 12th game was one of the best of the day, and until she finally lost her service a third set looked quite possible.

Less reconciled to the adverse conditions than her adversary, Miss Nuthall hit too many losers against the ever-steady Miss Ford to give herself a real chance.

Even when she led 4-1 in the second set the efficient retrieving of Miss Ford levelled the score, and by shrewd placing to an unruly forehand the Leicester player got home in the 12th game.

McAVOY'S TRIUMPH

Beats Phillips By K.O.
In Fourteenth

DOYLE'S SUCCESS

London, To-day.

Jock McAvoy, the British and Empire Middleweight boxing champion, added another title to his lot last night when, at the Wembley Pool, he knocked out Eddie Phillips, the holder, in the 14th round of their scheduled 15 round contest for the British Cruiserweight boxing championship.

There was a sensational upset in the earlier stages when McAvoy took a count of two in the first round from a right clip to the jaw, but he retaliated strongly in the second, when he sent the holder to the canvas for a count of eight with a terrific right to the jaw.

A series of blows from a two-fisted attack cut a deep gash in Phillips' cheek-bone and in the 14th round, a left and a right to the jaw sent Phillips down for the final count.

McAvoy is now the Middleweight and Cruiserweight champion.

DOYLE BEATS LEVINSKY

On the same card last night, Jack Doyle, the very popular Irishman, out-pointed King Levinsky, of the United States, in a 12 round bout.

The American took terrific punishment, especially from right-handers to the face, but his endurance was remarkable.

The encounter was a typical slogging match with no pretensions to boxing and very often reached a crude stage.—Reuter.

This was Jack Doyle's first win on points in his boxing career, and is accounted for the fact, revealed after the fight, that he broke a bone in his right-hand in the second round.—Reuter.

U.S. BASEBALL

Only One Game Played

New York, To-day.

Only one baseball encounter in the major leagues was held yesterday, heavy rains and bitter cold interfering with the rest. In spite of a four-bagger by Dick Shot, for the Pirates, the Cardinals won their game by 3 runs to 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	1	6	1
St. Louis	3	8	1

The National League encounters between Boston and Brooklyn, New York and Philadelphia, and the American League clashes between Philadelphia and New York, Washington and Boston, Chicago and Cleveland and St. Louis and Detroit, were postponed owing to rain. The National League game between Chicago and Cincinnati, was held up by the cold.—Reuter.

HOME FOOTBALL

Rochdale Dispose Of Accrington

London, To-day.

In a Third Division (Northern) football match yesterday, Rochdale defeated Accrington by 4 goals to 1. The match was played at Rochdale.—Reuter.



HONG KONG LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting To-morrow

The annual general meeting of affiliated Clubs of the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association will take place in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. to transact the following business:—

Read and confirm minutes of last annual meeting, adoption of Report and Accounts for 1936, election of officers for 1937, election of Hon. League Secretary and four non-representative Councillors, Tennis League matters 1937.

Two Representatives from each Affiliated Club are invited to attend.

A meeting of the council will take place soon after the termination of the annual meeting to transact the following business:—

Read and confirm minutes of the last Council meeting, election of an Executive Committee for 1937, receive entries to the Tennis League for 1937, suggestions regarding Tennis League—formation of divisions, etc., recommendations to the Executive Committee for 1937.

One Councillor from each affiliated club and the four non-representative Councillors, together with the officers and the Hon. League Secretary are invited to attend.

League Entries

Club Councillors are asked to note that entries (accompanied by the necessary fees) must be made at the meeting. Forms on which should be given details of ground location, etc. are enclosed.

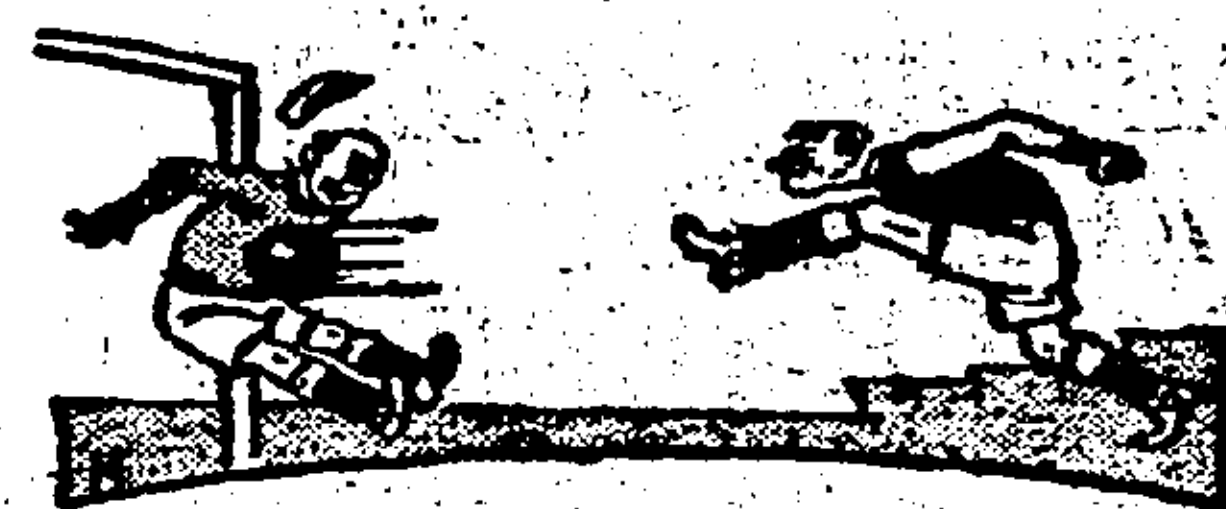
F.A. PAY OFF INSURANCE DEFICIT

ENGLISH TEAM FOR TOUR NEW FREE-KICK RULE

The F.A. Council also adopted the following recommendations of the joint sub-committee of the F.A. and the League which investigated the question of compensation to injured players:

(a) "That the Football Association pay to the Football League Mutual Insurance Federation the sum of £5,446, being the deficit of the fund over a period of 10 years."

(b) "That the Football Association pay from the receipts derived from replayed Cup-ties (rule 30, sub-section 2) to the Football League Mutual Insurance Federation the sum of £600 per annum for the next four years, to meet the average yearly deficit of the Federation. The position to be reviewed at the end of that period."



FREE KICKS

The Rules Revision Committee's recommendation regarding free-kicks to the defending side in the penalty area was also adopted, and the International Board are to be asked to make it compulsory for them to be kicked direct into play beyond the penalty area, as is now the law for goal-kicks.

The Council decided to take no action in regard to a letter sent to the representative of the Sheffield (Continued on Page 22)

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THANKS FROM THE RING

Llandrindod Wells, April 3.

JACK PETERSEN, the former British Empire heavy-weight champion, who announced yesterday that he was retiring on account of eye trouble, was given a great reception when he made his final appearance in the ring here to-night.

IN THE AUDIENCE OF NEARLY 2,000 PEOPLE WERE MANY SCORES FROM THE INDUSTRIAL TOWNS OF SOUTH WALES, WHO CAME OVER IN 100 CARS TO SEE THEIR CHAMPION FOR THE LAST TIME. THE MATCH WAS AN EXHIBITION BOUT WITH MAX HODGETTS, OF LEICESTER.

It was late in the evening when Petersen appeared. He was received with deafening cheers. The announcer then confirmed the statement that this would be his last appearance, adding that it was the order of his specialist, and not his own personal desire at all.

RECORD PROFIT FROM TEST MATCH SERIES

M.C.C. Share Amounts To £42,000

London, April 1.

The M.C.C. has received about £42,000 as its share of the profits of the Australian tour which has just ended. This figure is a record. The available surplus will be shared among the 17 first-class counties.

Of the M.C.C.'s share of the profits £34,428 was received from the five Test matches as follows:

First Test, Brisbane	£3,602
Second Test, Sydney	£4,500
Third Test, Melbourne	£12,710
Fourth Test, Adelaide	£5,707
Fifth Test, Melbourne	£7,909

PREVIOUS BEST

The previous highest total received by the M.C.C. was during the 1928-29 tour, when the figure reached £40,427.

The players will also benefit proportionately from the financial success of this tour. In addition to receiving £400, plus expenses and pocket money, the M.C.C. gives a generous bonus. It is understood that the most successful players will probably received £250 each as a bonus.

There were loud cries of "No, no, Jack," and demands for a speech. All Petersen would say was "Thank you, thank you very much indeed."

The three rounds were keenly watched. There were loud cheers for Petersen as he left the ring, and retired to his dressing-room and waved his farewells.

Asked about his retirement, he said: "There is nothing more to say. It has all been told."

F. A. PAY OFF INSURANCE DEFICIT

(Continued on Page 21)

and Hallamshire County Association by Rotherham United, in which Rotherham point out that the present method of exempting the First and Second Division clubs from the early rounds of the F. A. Cup is an unfair handicap to the smaller clubs.

IF F. A. CUP IS DRAWN

The selection of referee and linesmen for the Cup Final on May 1 was deferred until the competing clubs are known. If the Final is drawn, the replay will take place in the provinces on the following Wednesday.

The English team to tour Scandinavia during the close season will be selected in Birmingham on April 26.



With the heavyweight title situation unclarified, Max Schmeling, former title holder, is shown at New York buying his ticket for a return trip to Germany. Maxie wanted to take the title bout with Braddock to Berlin with him, but left without it.

CHEAPER YACHT RACING TO MATERIALISE

British Experts Return From U.S.

ONLY 7,000 FEET SAIL AREA

New York, April 1.

The British yachtsmen who have been discussing with the New York Yacht Club the possibility of reducing the cost of big international yacht races sailed for England today.

They are Mr. C. R. Fairey, Major B. Heckstall-Smith and Mr. Alfred Mylne. They said that discussions on proposals for creating a new class of yachts had been highly satisfactory.

The yachts contemplated will have a water-line of about 65ft and a small sail area of only 4,160 square feet.

COMPARES WITH ENDEAVOUR

This compares with the 83ft water-line of the Endeavour, the unsuccessful challenger for the America's Cup in 1934. Her sail area was more than 7,000 square feet.

Questions of detail will have to be discussed for some time, but the new vessels will probably be single-masted, will have ample cabin accommodation, and will be capable of being worked by a small crew.

OLYMPIC STAR SELLS INSURANCE

Bill Carr, 400-meter champion of the 1932 Olympic Games, is selling insurance here.

Carr's track career was halted abruptly when both of his ankles were broken in an automobile accident. The injuries left him with a slight limp.

SPORT NOTICES

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 1st May, 1937, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th April, 1937.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

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HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

ISLAND

	Feet
Victoria Peak	1,823
Signal Station	1,774
Mt. Parker	1,734
Mountain Lodge	1,725
The Eyrie	1,725
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (filterbeds)	297

MAINLAND

	Feet
Taimoshan	3,124
Kowloon Peak	1,971

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COMPANY MEETINGS

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the Jacobean Room, 1st Floor, Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, HONG KONG on WEDNESDAY, 28th APRIL, 1937 at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended December 31st 1936; electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 19th APRIL, 1937, until WEDNESDAY, 28th APRIL, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. C. GUTERRES,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 12th April, 1937.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 18th May, 1937, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 18th May, 1937, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hong Kong, 27th April, 1937.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY.
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CHARCOAL MURDER TRIAL

Evidence By Accused's Relatives

THE STRANGER

The step-mother and step-brother of Chiu Yuk-fai, 24-year-old P.W.D. draughtsman accused of the murder of 27-year-old Cheung Yuk-ching, gave evidence on behalf of the Crown this morning, when the case now known as the "Charcoal Murder Case" was continued before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

The accused is represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, while Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, is for the Crown.

The following jury is hearing the case: Messrs. J. L. Robinson (Foreman), C. R. Wilson, Yew Man-chiu, B. W. Simmons, M. B. Reyes, E. A. Kinsey and F. J. H. Jenner.

Wong Hop, residing on the second floor of No. 325, Reclamation Street, said she saw accused and a woman going up to the top vacant flat. Immediately after, she heard shouts of "Save Life" in a woman's voice.

Cross-examined by Mr. D'Almada, witness said that the door of the vacant flat was opened and closed by accused. She recognised accused. She had often seen him, and was at his wedding ceremony. In reply to the Chief Justice, witness said that when accused closed the door he appeared to have seen that she was observing him.

"SAVE LIFE"

Wong Lai-chun, who resided on the floor beneath the vacant flat, testified that she heard shouts of "save life" between 2 and 3 p.m. About 20 minutes later she saw two men going up the stairs. One was carrying a basket of charcoal. Later, smoke came into her flat. Accused told her that the smoke was due to attempts to light a fire with charcoal.

The step-brother of accused, Chiu Chi-fong, said that at about 4.20 p.m. he heard shouts of "Fire" and saw accused in the kitchen, where there was a burning heap. Accused left hastily on hearing one of the firemen remark that the heap contained a dead body.

THE STRANGER

Cross-examined by Mr. D'Almada, Ng Tseng, an amah employed by accused, said that the vacant floor was usually used to dry clothes on rainy days. The occupants of Nos. 319 and 321 used the floor for the same purpose. There was a door between the balconies of the top floors of Nos. 321 and 323. When witness visiting the vacant floor on two occasions that day, she saw the same stranger with accused.

Mr. C. W. Brand, of the Mong Kok Fire Station, told how accused attempted to prevent him from entering the flat.

The case is continuing.

DISARMAMENT MEETING DELAYED

Geneva, To-day.

The session of the Permanent board of the Disarmament Conference, originally convened for May 6, has been postponed by the acting President of the League Council, Dr. Wellington Koo, until the next Council meeting on May 24.

The postponement was decided upon at the request of the Greek Minister in Paris, N. Politis, and

SOVIET AND PAVLOVA ESTATE

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet Government has at last succeeded in collecting part of the fortune left by the famous Russian dancer Pavlova.

Acting on behalf of the dancer's aged mother, who lives near Leningrad, the Government has obtained £15,000 deposited in a London bank.

Altogether, Anna Pavlova is believed to have left about £80,000 and steps are now being taken to recover the rest of her fortune, deposited in various foreign banks.

Using the power of attorney made out by the dancer's mother, the Soviet yesterday obtained Court release of part of the fortune deposited in a London bank.

The Soviet representative yesterday had to answer nearly 500 questions before the order was granted. —Trans-Ocean.

Royal Procession On Thames

London, To-day.

To-day, for the first time in 100 years, a King and Queen made a State journey down the Thames, when they went down in the new Royal Barge from Westminster Pier to the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich.

Princess Elizabeth accompanied her parents.

The whole length of the Embankment skirting the Thames along which the barge, escorted by four motor torpedo boats proceeded, was thick with cheering spectators.

His Majesty wore a naval uniform and was accompanied by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Samuel Hoare. —Reuter.

REMINDER OF OLD

Something of what the River Thames meant to the London of the past as a highway linking the City and its merchants with Westminster and its Parliament and leading out to the seas beyond where British mariners carried the freights of Britain's commerce, were recalled by the King and Queen's triumphant progress in the Admiral's Barge with naval escort, down the river to Greenwich, where the King opened the National Maritime Museum.

The day was bright and sunny and great crowds had gathered along the embankments, on bridges and wharfs, and the decks of ships moored alongside.

Their cheers mingled with the screams of ships' sirens and the roaring of aeroplanes overhead.

KING'S SPEECH

In declaring the Museum open, the King said that but for the enterprise, courage and character of British seamen, the British Commonwealth of Nations would never have come into existence. The qualities of Drake, Nelson and Franklin were as necessary to-day as ever in the past and it was well that the exploits of men such as these should be recalled so that the part which seamen had played in Britain's history might never be forgotten. —British Wireless.

several other members of the Disarmament Conference who are now taking part in the Montreux negotiations. —Trans-Ocean.

CANADIAN TRADE PACT

CRITICISM IN THE COMMONS

MR. RUNCIMAN'S DEFENCE

London, To-day.

A resolution amending the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932, for the purpose of giving effect of the new Canadian Trade Agreement was approved by the House of Commons by 265 votes to 126 after certain features of the agreement had been criticised by Labour and Liberal speakers on the grounds that it was inopportune at a time when trade negotiations might be impending to diminish the inelasticity of the tariff position.

The President of the Board of Trade recommended the agreement as part of the Government's general policy of reducing trade barriers.

The duty reductions covered about forty per cent. of British trade with Canada. He thanked the Canadian Government for having met the British most generously. The agreement would increase Imperial trade without increasing a single duty on foreign goods on either side. —British Wireless.

COUNT CIANO FOR TIRANA

Official Call Upon King Zog

Rome, To-day.

Count Ciano is off on his travels again with the object of spreading the influence of Fascism in Central Europe.

This time he goes to Tirana, capital of Albania, where he will visit King Zog. He is due to leave by air to-day, accompanied by Foreign Office officials and newspaper correspondents. —Trans-Ocean.

NEW MEMBERS OF NAZI PARTY

Over Two Millions To Be Enrolled

Berlin, To-day.

About 2,500,000 new members are to be enrolled in the Nazi Party as a result of the recent decision to re-open the ranks of the party which had been closed for several years.

The new members will be carefully chosen from 750,000 members of the Labour Front, 300,000 workers of the Nazi social welfare association, and the Storm Troops.

The Nazi Party, which now has a membership of 3,500,000 will thus be increased to 6,000,000. —Trans-Ocean.

MISS AMY JOHNSON

Miss Amy Johnson has lodged with the Royal Aero Club an entry for the New York-Paris air race, which takes place in August. She will fly a French twin-engined plane.

Miss Johnson, who is the wife of Mr. J. A. Mollison, the airman, has expressed the wish to be known in future by her maiden name.

The P. and O. s.s. "Rajputana" left Shanghai for this Port yesterday at 3 p.m. and is due here on Friday at about 7 a.m.

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INTERESTING AIR FREIGHT FOR HONG KONG MEDALS, A FILM AND MARGARINE!

The Imperial Airways Service which arrived from Penang yesterday brought some interesting freight. One was a consignment of silver Coronation Medals for Hong Kong, and another a film of the arrival at Croydon of the Divine Wind, the aeroplane which recently made the epic flight from Japan.

Both these consignments left London on the 17th April.

The 'Delphinus' also carried the first freight for the through air journey to the Philippines—a consignment of margarine from Bangkok!

BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER STARS FOR THE COLONY

Melbourne Inman And Horace Lindrum

Billiards and Snooker enthusiasts of the Colony, will be pleased to learn that they will have an opportunity of seeing Horace Lindrum, the Australian Snooker "wizard" and Melbourne Inman, winner of the "Daily Mail" Gold Cup in 1936, and ex-Billiards champion, in action in the Colony.

According to a letter which I received from Inman, the two famous players left England on a world's tour last Saturday and are expected to arrive in the Colony in July.

The Hong Kong Billiards Association should lose no time in making arrangements for exhibition games during their stay here.

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